

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 78301

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 CONTINENTAL TRAILWAYS, INC., a)
 Delaware corporation; and)
 CONTINENTAL PACIFIC LINES, a)
 California corporation, for author-)
 ity to increase charges pursuant to)
 Sections 454 of the Public Utilities)
 Code Special Service Charges.)

Application No. 52399
 (Filed January 12, 1971)

O P I N I O N

In this application Continental Trailways, Inc. and Continental Pacific Lines seek authority to increase their special service charges for passengers occupying reserved seats by approximately 10 percent (proposed charges are set forth in Appendix A).^{1/} Applicants also request authority to add Red Bluff as an additional fare point.

In support of this request, the application alleges as follows: The present charges were established in 1958. In the intervening twelve-year period, costs of this service, including wages, have increased. The increased annual revenue to be derived from the proposed seat charges will be approximately \$4,900. California intrastate operations of applicants are currently being operated at a loss. Exhibit I shows that Continental Trailways' expenses of providing Five Star Luxury Service exceeded revenues in the period January through June, 1970, both on a system basis and in California. If the proposed increased charges had been in effect during that period, the service would still have been operated

^{1/} Commonly referred to as "Five Star Luxury Service".

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at a loss. The proposed seat charges are now in effect on interstate traffic, and establishment of similar charges on California intrastate traffic will bring charges for services in California in line with interstate charges.

The application was served in accordance with procedural rules and notice of the filing of the application appeared on the Commission's Daily Calendar. There are no protests or requests for hearing. Applicants urge that this is a matter which may be decided without hearing.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from the establishment of the proposed seat charges are justified. The application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Continental Trailways, Inc. and Continental Pacific Lines (corporations) are hereby authorized to establish the increased seat charges proposed in Application No. 52399 and set forth in Appendix A hereto and to add Red Bluff as a fare point. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be filed not earlier than the effective date of the order herein and may be made effective on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

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2. The authority granted herein shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the date hereof.

The effective date of this order shall be ten days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of FEBRUARY, 1971.

Chairman

Vernon L. Sturgeon

Commissioners

Commissioner William Symons, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

APPENDIX A

PROPOSED ONE-WAY SPECIAL SERVICE CHARGESCONTINENTAL TRAILWAYS INC. - LOCAL SERVICE

BETWEEN-- : San Francisco : Oakland : Stockton : Modesto : Merced : Fresno : Tulare : Bakersfield :

AND

Modesto	\$.75	\$.75	\$.75	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Merced	1.05	1.05	.75	.75				
Fresno	1.40	1.40	1.05	.75	.75			
Tulare	1.80	1.80	1.40	1.05	.75	.75		
Bakersfield	2.10	2.10	1.40	1.40	1.05	.75	.75	
Los Angeles	2.20	2.20	2.10	2.10	1.80	1.40	1.40	1.05

CONTINENTAL PACIFIC LINES dba CONTINENTAL PACIFIC TRAILWAYS - LOCAL SERVICE

BETWEEN-- : Yreka : Mt. Shasta : Redding : Red Bluff : Sacramento :

AND

Mt. Shasta	\$.75	\$	\$	\$	\$
Redding	.75	.75			
Red Bluff	.95	1.00	.75		
Sacramento	1.80	1.40	1.15	.75	
Stockton	2.50	2.10	1.80	1.60	.75
Vallejo	2.10	1.80	1.40	1.25	----
Richmond	2.40	2.05	1.70	1.50	----
Oakland	2.45	2.10	1.80	1.60	----
San Francisco	2.45	2.10	1.80	1.60	----

JOINT SERVICE CHARGES (VIA SACRAMENTO)

BETWEEN-- : Yreka : Mt. Shasta : Redding : Red Bluff : Sacramento :

AND

Modesto	\$2.55	\$2.15	\$1.90	\$1.50	\$.75
Merced	2.85	2.45	2.20	1.80	1.05
Fresno	3.20	2.80	2.55	2.15	1.40
Tulare	3.60	3.20	2.95	2.55	1.80
Bakersfield	3.90	3.50	3.25	2.85	2.10
Los Angeles	4.55	4.15	3.90	3.50	2.75