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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of UNITED AIR LINES, INC., ) for authority to increase certain intra-) state passenger fares.

Application No. 53425 (Filed June 26, 1972)

## OPINION AND ORDER

In this application United Air Lines, Inc. (United) seeks an interim ex parte order authorizing an increase in United's intrastate jet commuter passenger fares to same extent that Pacific Southwest Airlines (PSA) is authorized to increase its passenger fares in Application No. 52970, pending final consideration of Application No. 53139, in which United seeks a permanent level of intrastate jet commuter fares.

The application states that the interim relief sought herein is based on findings of the Commission in prior fare increase proceedings to the effect that competition between United and PSA will not permit either carrier to maintain air fares in the California corridor substantially different from its competitor; thus, PSA would not be able to effectuate any fare increase authorized in Application No. 52970 unless United concurrently was authorized to increase its competitive fares to the same level as the increased air fares authorized to PSA.

By the decision issued today in Application No. 52970, the increase in air fares sought therein by PSA was denied. Therefore, the interim relief requested by United in the instant application is moot, and the application should be denied.

IT IS ORDERED that the relief requested in Application No. 53425 filed by United Air Lines, Inc. is hereby denied. The effective date of this order is twenty days after the date hereof. Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ Francisco , California, this /x/ day of \_\_\_AUGUST

1972.