

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 80433

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
GOLDEN WEST AIRLINES, INC., for a }
Certificate of Public Convenience }
and Necessity. }

Application No. 51216
(Petition for Modification
filed July 27, 1972)

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER ON MODIFICATION

Golden West Airlines, Inc. (GWA) seeks authority to suspend service as soon as possible on its Route 1 (San Francisco-Santa Rosa) and Route 2 (San Francisco-San Jose-Monterey). In the alternative and in addition, GWA gives notice that it will discontinue said services without authorization pursuant to the provisions of Section 2769.5,^{1/} Public Utilities Code.

Protests to the discontinuance have been received from the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce and the Monterey Peninsula Airport District. Neither of the protestants have challenged GWA's verified allegation that said operations are not profitable.

1/ "No passenger air carrier shall discontinue operations between any two or more terminals without authority of the commission, unless such operations are unprofitable. Unprofitable operations may be discontinued upon 60 days' notice to the commission, and to such other persons as the commission may require, unless within such 60-day period the commission, after hearing, makes a finding that such operation is not unprofitable and orders its continuance."

In view of the fact that other airlines have applied to perform the service to be abandoned, no cause appears why GWA should not be authorized an interim special temporary suspension in accordance with the provisions of Section 2766, Public Utilities Code.

We find that it will not be adverse to the public interest to authorize a special temporary suspension of service coincident with the commencement of service authorized in Applications Nos. ~~53489~~ and 53382, and conclude that applicant should be so authorized. (WRJ)

IT IS ORDERED that applicant is hereby authorized to temporarily suspend operations on its Routes 1 and 2 coincident with the commencement of service by ~~Steel Air, Inc.~~ and Valley Airlines, Inc. (WRJ)

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of AUGUST, 1972.

Vernon L. Stenger
President
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