

ORIGINALDecision No. 82356

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of)
 Roy L. Arledge, an individual, doing)
 business as UNITED TRANSIT, for)
 authority to increase certain fares)
 for his service from United Air Lines) Application No. 54560
 Maintenance Base to include Cupertino,) (Filed January 4, 1974)
 Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, Los Gatos,)
 San Jose, Mountain View, Los Altos,)
 Palo Alto and to adjust certain)
 routes as hereinafter described.)

INTERIM OPINION

By the above application, filed January 4, 1974, Roy L. Arledge, an individual doing business as United Transit, hereinafter referred to as applicant seeks to have certain modifications to one of the routes in his Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Included also in the application is a request for an increase in fares for the passenger stage service rendered.

One of applicant's presently authorized routes commences near the intersection of Saratoga Avenue and Stevens Creek Boulevard and proceeds via Stevens Creek Boulevard, Lawrence Expressway, Homestead Road, Hollenbeck Avenue, West Fremont Avenue, Grant Road, El Camino Real, San Antonio Road, U.S. Highway 101 (Bayshore Freeway) and San Bruno Avenue to the United Air Lines Maintenance Base. The first portion of this route is roughly paralleled by a combination routing of the Junipero Serra Freeway (I-280) and the Stevens Creek Freeway (Highway 85) to its junction with Bayshore Freeway (U.S. 101). Applicant has been operating buses from the commencement of this route and, when a bus was filled with passengers, he has been diverting buses by the most practical route to complete the trip via the freeway routing described above.

On January 9, 1974, Decision No. 82304 issued in Case No. 9645 ordered the applicant to cease and desist from any and all unauthorized operations. In obeying this order applicant contends that there has been inconvenience to the passengers of the route in question and that inability to use the freeway also is adding to the congestion on city streets.

In view of the present energy crisis any proper means of reducing fuel consumption such as by operation over freeways instead of over city streets is an acceptable deviation and will be so ordered.

It has also been brought to the attention of the Commission that United Air Lines has directed the applicant, and other carriers, to not approach its maintenance base by way of San Bruno Avenue because of certain safety and traffic congestion considerations. Applicant's certificate will be amended in this order to accommodate these circumstances.

In view of the present energy crisis and the need for the public to continue to be adequately served as expeditiously as practical the effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

INTERIM ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued by Decision No. 78483 in Application No. 52424 between the points and over the routes set forth therein is hereby amended as shown in Appendix A attached hereto.

The authority granted herein is temporary until issuance of further order by the Commission upon the matter set forth herein as well as the fare increase request that is a part of this application.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th
day of JANUARY, 1974.

Vermon L. Sturgeon
President
William J. Lyons

Alfred W. Holmes

Commissioners

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being
necessarily absent, did not participate
in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being
necessarily absent, did not participate
in the disposition of this proceeding.

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Appendix A
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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS

Route 1-Santa Clara Route:

Commencing at the intersection of Kiely Boulevard and Homestead Road in the City of Santa Clara thence via Kiely Boulevard, Benton Street, Los Padres Boulevard, El Camino Real, Bowers Avenue, Monroe Street, Reed Lane, North Fair Oaks Avenue, U. S. Highway 101 (Bayshore Freeway) and *the most direct and convenient route to the entrance of the United Air Lines Maintenance Base; returning by reverse of this route.

Route 2-Cupertino-Mountain View-Palo Alto Route:

Commencing at the intersection of Saratoga Avenue and Stevens Creek Boulevard thence via Stevens Creek Boulevard, Lawrence Station Expressway, Homestead Road, Hollenbeck Avenue, West Fremont Avenue, Grant Road, El Camino Real, San Antonio Road, U. S. Highway 101 (Bayshore Freeway) and *the most direct and convenient route to the United Air Lines Maintenance Base; returning by reverse of this route.

*Alternate Routing: Operations over Route 2 (above) may be diverted to the nearby freeway network of Interstate 280, Highway 85, or U. S. Highway 101 at any practical location to provide for express type service on those occasions when the vehicle is filled to near capacity with passengers. Such alternate route service does not remove the requirement that the entire Route 2 receive service.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

*Changed or added by Decision No. 82356, Application No. 54560.