

Decision No. 83346

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc.  
for Authority to Extend Application No. 53933,  
Decision No. 81892, Passenger Stage Service  
between Points in Southern California and  
Mammoth Mountain. } Application No. 54747  
(Filed March 21, 1974)

O P I N I O N

Applicant, Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc., has authority as a passenger stage corporation, pursuant to Decision No. 80503 dated September 19, 1972 in Application No. 53456, as amended by Decision No. 81892 dated September 14, 1973 in Application No. 53933, to provide service via three routes between various southern California points and the Mammoth Mountain ski lifts.<sup>1/</sup> By this application authority is sought to modify these three routes (4, 5, and 6 on the official certificate, designated 7, 8, and 9, respectively, by applicant) and to add a new route commencing in Thousand Oaks, Ventura County. Service is, and will be, provided only on weekends with buses departing at between 5:50 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Fridays depending on the route's origin, and returning from Mammoth Mountain on Sunday evenings. Fares vary between \$19 and \$21. The service has been, and will be, conducted with air-conditioned, 39- to 49-passenger, reclining seat buses. A balance sheet as of September 30, 1973 shows total assets of \$409,339 and current liabilities of \$176,569.

---

<sup>1/</sup> Three additional routes provide service to the McDonnell-Douglas Plant in Huntington Beach. The certificates list the routes from 1 to 6. For some reason, known only to applicant, it has chosen to change the numbers of the routes.

It is alleged that the proposed service will not interfere with any other passenger stage operator. Copies of the application were served on all possibly interested parties and entities. No protests have been received.

Findings

1. The passenger stage service proposed herein is not available at the present time.
2. The proposed service is designed to satisfy the requirements of the Los Angeles and Ventura Counties residents who travel to and from Mammoth Mountain during the weekends.
3. Applicant possesses the ability, experience, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the aforesaid service.
4. Public convenience and necessity require that the service proposed by applicant be established.
5. It is reasonably certain that the project involved in this proceeding will not have a significant effect on the environment.
6. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted. Applicant's operating authority will be restated in the form of a new certificate.

Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc. is placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, such rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business. This monopoly feature may be modified or canceled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc., a corporation, authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points and over the routes particularly set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. In providing service pursuant to the authority granted by this order, applicant shall comply with the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the authority.

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate granted. Applicant is placed on notice that if it accepts the certificate it will be required, among other things, to comply with the safety rules of the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-Series and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 101-Series.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall establish the authorized service and file tariffs and timetables, in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the authorized service.

- (d) The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79-Series and 98-Series.
- (e) Applicant shall maintain its accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of its operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

3. The certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in paragraph 1 of this order shall supersede the certificates of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision No. 80503 dated September 19, 1972 in Application No. 53456 and by Decision No. 81892 dated September 14, 1973 in Application No. 53933, which certificates are revoked effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 2(b) hereof.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California,  
this 27<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 1974.

Vernon L. Sturgis  
President

William J. ...

[Signature]

[Signature]  
Commissioners

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate  
-4- in the disposition of this proceeding.

CERTIFICATE  
OF  
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

---

Showing passenger stage operative rights, restrictions, limitations, exceptions and privileges applicable thereto.

---

All changes and amendments as authorized by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California will be made as revised pages or added original pages.

---

INDEX

	<u>Page No.</u>
SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS . . . . .	3
SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS	
<u>Route</u>	<u>Route Name</u>
1	Malibu . . . . . 4
2	Palms . . . . . 4
3	Culver . . . . . 4
7	Torrance . . . . . 5
8	Montclair . . . . . 5
9	Newport Beach . . . . . 6
10	Thousand Oaks . . . . . 6

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

Decision No. 83346, Application No. 54747.

SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS  
AND SPECIFICATIONS.

The certificate hereinafter noted supersedes all operative authority heretofore granted to Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc., or its predecessors.

Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc., by the certificate of public convenience and necessity, is authorized to transport passengers between points in southern California, on the one hand, and McDonnell-Douglas Huntington Beach Plant and certain territories intermediate and adjacent thereto, and the Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, on the other hand, over and along the routes hereinafter described, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify said routes at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- (a) Motor vehicles may be turned at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, in accordance with local traffic regulations.
- (b) When route descriptions are given in one direction, they apply to operation in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- (c) All transportation of passengers over Routes 1, 2, or 3 shall involve a point on the route hereinafter described on the one hand and the McDonnell-Douglas Plant in Huntington Beach on the other hand.
- (d) All transportation of passengers over Routes 7, 8, 9 or 10 shall involve a point on the route hereinafter described on the one hand and the Mammoth Mountain Ski Area on the other hand. The service shall be operated on a round-trip schedule leaving Fridays and returning from Mammoth Mountain Ski Area on Sunday evenings during the California winter ski season only.
- (e) Bus stop as used herein shall mean a stop for picking up passengers when the route is in the direction of Mammoth Mountain Ski Area and discharging passengers when the route is returning from the Mammoth Mountain Ski Area.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

Decision No. 83346, Application No. 54747.

## SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS

Mark IV Charter Lines, Inc. is authorized to conduct passenger stage operations over and along the following described streets and highways:

MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS HUNTINGTON BEACH PLANT OPERATIONS -ROUTE 1 - Malibu

Beginning at Trancas Canyon and Pacific Coast Highway; thence along Pacific Coast Highway, Ocean Boulevard, Santa Monica Freeway, San Diego Freeway, Springdale Street, Bolsa Avenue, Able Lane to McDonnell-Douglas Plant, Huntington Beach. Returning by same route.

ROUTE 2- Palms

Beginning at Overland Avenue and National Boulevard; thence along National Boulevard, San Diego Freeway, La Tijera and Osage, San Diego Freeway, Springdale Street, Bolsa Avenue, Able Lane to McDonnell-Douglas Plant, Huntington Beach. Returning by same route.

ROUTE 3 - Culver

Beginning at Venice Boulevard and La Cienega Boulevard; thence along Venice Boulevard, Lincoln Boulevard, Culver Boulevard, San Diego Freeway, Springdale Street, Bolsa Avenue, Able Lane to McDonnell-Douglas Plant, Huntington Beach. Returning by same route.



## SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (Continued)

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN SKI AREA OPERATIONSROUTE 7 - Torrance

Commencing at Del Amo Shopping Center located near the intersection of Sepulveda and Hawthorne Boulevards (bus stop), in the City of Torrance, north on Hawthorne Boulevard to Artesia Street (bus stop), north on San Diego Freeway, north on La Tijera to Osage Avenue (bus stop), north on San Diego Freeway, north on Sepulveda Boulevard to Wilshire Boulevard (bus stop), north on San Diego Freeway, north on Sepulveda Boulevard to Ventura Boulevard (bus stop), north on San Diego Freeway, north on Golden State Freeway, northeast on State Highway 14, north on U.S. Highway 395, west on State Highway 203 and to Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, returning by the reverse of the above route.

ROUTE 8 - Montclair

Commencing at Montclair Plaza located near the intersection of Moreno Street and Monte Vista Avenue (bus stop), in the City of Montclair, south on Monte Vista Avenue, west on San Bernardino Freeway, north on Citrus Avenue to Workman Avenue (bus stop), south on Citrus Avenue, west on San Bernardino Freeway, north on Rosemead Boulevard to Ramona Boulevard (bus stop), south on Rosemead Boulevard, west on San Bernardino Freeway, north on Golden State Freeway, east on Colorado Freeway (State Highway 134), south on Brand Boulevard to Doran Street (bus stop), west on Doran Street, north on Central Avenue, west on Colorado Freeway, north on Hollywood Freeway, east on Victory Boulevard to Laurel Canyon Boulevard (bus stop), west on Victory Boulevard, north on Hollywood Freeway, north on Golden State Freeway, northeast on State Highway 14, north on U.S. Highway 395, west on State Highway 203, and to Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, returning by the reverse of the above route.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

Decision No. 83346, Application No. 54747.

## SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (Continued)

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN SKI AREA OPERATIONS -ROUTE 9 - Newport Beach

Commencing at Fashion Island Center located near the intersection of MacArthur Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway (bus stop), in the City of Newport Beach, north on MacArthur Boulevard, northwest on San Diego Freeway, north on Bristol Avenue to Anton Avenue (bus stop), south on Bristol Avenue, east on San Diego Freeway, north on Newport Freeway, west on Garden Grove Freeway north on The City Drive to County Facility (bus stop), south on The City Drive, west on Garden Grove Freeway, north on Santa Ana Freeway, north on Euclid Avenue to Anaheim Plaza Center (bus stop), south on Euclid Avenue, north on Santa Ana Freeway, west on Artesia Freeway, west on Orangethorpe Avenue, west on South Street to Gridley Road (bus stop), west on South Street, north on San Gabriel River Freeway, northwest on Interstate Highway 5, northeast on State Highway 14, north on U.S. Highway 395, west on State Highway 203 and to Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, returning by the reverse of the above route.

ROUTE 10 - Thousand Oaks

Commencing at Conejo Center located near the intersection of Moorpark Road and Thousand Oaks Boulevard (bus stop), south on Thousand Oaks Boulevard, east on Ventura Freeway, south on Westlake Boulevard to Westlake Plaza Shopping Center (bus stop), north on Westlake Boulevard, east on Ventura Freeway, south on Topanga Canyon Boulevard to Ventura Boulevard (bus stop), north on Topanga Canyon Boulevard, east on Roscoe Boulevard, north on Tampa Avenue to Nordhoff Street (bus stop), north on San Diego Freeway, northeast on State Highway 14, north on U.S. Highway 395, west on State Highway 203 and to Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, returning by the reverse of the above route.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

Decision No. 83346, Application No. 54747.