

Decision No. 85155**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of
 AIRPORTUS for authority to
 increase passenger stage fares .

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) Application No. 55822
) (Filed July 17, 1975)

O P I N I O N

Airportus, presently providing service as a passenger stage corporation (PSC 963), seeks authority to increase its fares between the San Jose Municipal Airport and Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, Mountain View, Los Altos and Palo Alto by an average of 47%. The present and the proposed fares are as follows:

	Between	San Jose Municipal Airport	
: And	:	Present Fares:	Proposed Fares:
Palo Alto	\$ 2.50		\$ 3.50
Mountain View	2.00		3.00
Los Altos	2.00		3.00
Sunnyvale	1.50		2.50
Santa Clara	1.00		2.00

Its certificate and present fares were authorized by Decision No. 84185 dated March 11, 1975 in Application No. 55121.

The applicant alleges that the ridership is only 25% of its original projections and the resulting revenue is not sufficient to cover the operating expenses experienced by the company.

The staff of the Transportation Division has made an analysis of applicant's operations and submitted a report on the estimated results of operation based on the future year 1976 under present and proposed fares.

The report is hereby received as Exhibit No. 1. The exhibit indicates the following results:

ESTIMATED RESULTS OF OPERATION

Item or Account		Rate Year -- 1976	
No.	Description	Present Fares	Requested Fares
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Passengers	43,200	37,640
	Bus Miles	255,500	255,500
	<u>Revenue</u>		
320	Passengers	\$ 91,800	\$ 118,660
	<u>Expenses</u>		
410	Maintenance	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400
420	Transportation	68,470	68,470
440	Traffic	2,240	2,240
450	Insurance	8,600	8,600
460	Administration	24,620	24,620
500	Depreciation	3,540	3,540
520	Operating Tax	8,200	8,200
530	Rent	2,700	2,700
	Total Expenses	\$ 120,770	\$ 120,770
	Operating Income	\$- 28,970	\$ -2,110
800	Income Tax	200	200
	Net Income	\$- 29,170	\$ -2,310
	Operating Ratio	131.8%	101.9%

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar on July 22, 1975. No protests have been received.

After consideration the Commission finds that:

1. The requested increase would result in additional annual revenue in the amount of \$26,860.
2. The proposed fare increase is justified.
3. A public hearing is unnecessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:


1. Airportus is authorized to establish the increased fares proposed in Application No. 55822. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order may 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 to the public.

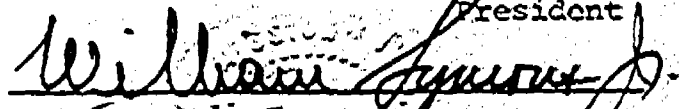
2. The authority shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

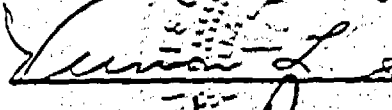
3. In addition to the required posting and filing of tariffs, applicant shall give notice to the public by posting in its buses and terminals a printed explanation of its fares. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days.

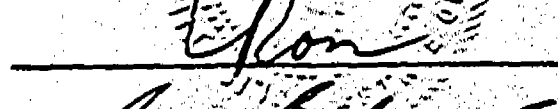
The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th
day of NOVEMBER, 1975.



President


William L. Sturgeon


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Commissioners