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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of GORDON OARD - individual )  
D.B.A. CORJEN TRANSPORTATION )  
AND TOURS for a Class B charter )  
bus certificate from home )  
terminal in Norwalk, Calif. )

Application 83-10-41  
(Filed October 24, 1983)

O P I N I O N

Gordon Oard, doing business as Corjen Transportation and Tours, seeks a Class B certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a charter-party carrier of passengers from a service area with a 40-mile radius from his home terminal at 16348 Graystone Avenue, Norwalk.

Notice of the filing of this application appeared in the Daily Transportation Calendar on October 27, 1983. There were no protests.

Applicant presently holds a charter-party permit TCP-1643-P and passenger stage authority under PSC-1291. Applicant owns a 1981 Ford Aerotrans 19-passenger minibus and he leases a 41- or a 47-passenger bus on a per-job basis from Fiesta Leasing, Gardena.

On September 1, 1983 applicant's assets totaled \$137,277 including current assets of \$52,208, automobile equipment of \$83,676, radio equipment of \$17,000, office furniture and leasehold equipment of \$22,000, and gas station equipment and tools of \$2,978. The accrued depreciation on these assets was \$40,563 on that date. Applicant's liabilities totaled \$85,207 consisting of current liabilities of \$43,809 and a balance of \$41,398 on equipment contracts. Applicant's net worth on that date was \$52,092.

Applicant's proposed charges are shown in an attachment to the application. Applicant estimates his annual charter revenues will total \$361,000 and corresponding expenses will total \$277,716.

Applicant states he will operate deluxe, well-maintained vehicles, each provided with a color television, a video player, and soft drink beverage service. Applicant proposes to arrange for charter packages for his customers. Applicant states that:

1. Based on his research, there is a need for more personalized service than is being provided by other carriers and for good, safe, and economical transportation.
2. His service would save energy compared to use of individual automobiles.
3. His service would have no significant adverse effect on the environment of his proposed service area.
4. The service would be beneficial to the environment and to the public if use of his vehicles cutsdown on the number of private cars being used.

#### Discussion

Applicant has the capability of providing the proposed service. He has demonstrated the need for the service. Therefore, the requested certificate should be granted. However, we are putting applicant on notice that the following requirements apply to his leased vehicles:

- a. General Order (GO) Series 98, Part 12, Operating Leased Equipment, and Part 13, Charter-Party Records.
- b. GO 115, Liability Insurance.

- c. Applicant must verify that current California Highway Patrol (CHP) clearance has been obtained and is in force.
- d. The Commission and the CHP must be notified of the addition and deletion of each vehicle to be used in the service prior to use.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant has the ability, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.
2. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusions of Law

1. Public convenience and necessity require that the requested authority be issued to applicant. He should be authorized to pick up passengers within a radius of 40 air miles from his home terminal at 16348 Graystone Avenue, Norwalk.
2. The effective date of this order should be the date of signature in order that applicant may begin operations of a needed service as soon as possible.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity, to be renewed each year, is granted to Gordon Oard authorizing him to operate as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers, as defined in PU Code Section 5383, from a service area with a radius of 40 air miles from applicant's home terminal at 16348 Graystone Avenue, Norwalk.

2. Applicant shall:

- a. Obtain California Highway Patrol (CHP) clearance for each vehicle to be used in this Class B charter-party operation.
- b. Notify the Commission and CHP of any addition or deletion of vehicle(s) used in the service prior to use.
- c. Establish the authorized service within 360 days after this order is effective.

3. The Passenger Operations Branch will issue the annual renewable certificate on Form PE-695 as authorized by Resolution PE-303 when it receives CHP clearances and evidence of liability protection in compliance with General Order Series 115.

4. In providing service under the certificate, applicant shall comply with General Order Series 98 and 115 and the CHP safety rules.

5. This certificate does not authorize the holder to conduct any operations on the property of or into any airport unless such operation is authorized by both this Commission and the airport authority involved.

6. The Class B certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by this order does not authorize round-trip sightseeing-tour service, which is not subject to regulation by this Commission.

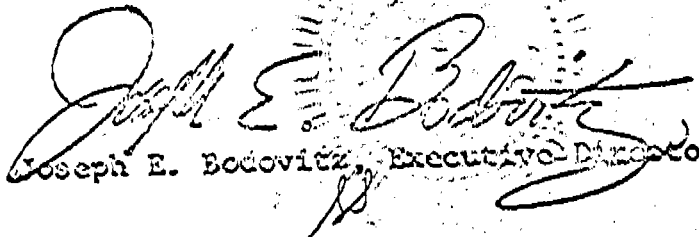
This order is effective today.

Dated FEB 16 1984, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.  
President  
PRISCILLA C. GREW  
DONALD VIAL  
WILLIAM T. BAGLEY  
Commissioners

Commissioner Victor Calvo,  
being necessarily absent, did  
not participate

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION  
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE  
COMMISSIONERS TODAY.

  
Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director