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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of )  
PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE SERVICE, LTD., )  
for a Class B charter bus certificate )  
from home terminal in San Diego. )

Application 83-10-42  
(Filed October 24, 1983)

O P I N I O N

Presidential Limousine Service, Ltd., a California corporation, seeks authority to operate as a Class "B" charter-party carrier of passengers from a service area with a 40-mile radius from its headquarters at 1904 Hotel Circle North, San Diego. Applicant proposes to provide its service using one 1974 25-passenger Twin Chock bus which it owns.

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

Applicant's financial condition as of July 31, 1983 shows total assets of \$259,629.89 and total liabilities of \$205,881.59. The application states that applicant has four years of limousine service experience under authority issued by this Commission under file No. 1268P. Applicant also states that many of its limousine customers have requested charter-party service.

This is an ex parte matter without public hearing. Based upon the information contained in the application and the past transportation experience under authority previously granted by the Commission, applicant is deemed to have operational as well as financial fitness to conduct the proposed service adequately.

Information contained in the application indicates a demand for the requested service by applicant's present limousine clients. It is also known that applicant's proposed service will be in competition with other carriers in the area. In a long line of previous decisions we have held that competition tends to bring out the highest degree of effort and imagination in a business endeavor, all to the benefit of the public. Public convenience and necessity, broadly speaking, are synonymous with the public interest. Because there have been no protests to the application, we conclude that this application is not controversial in nature and that a certificate should be granted.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant has the ability, experience, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.
2. Public convenience and necessity require that the requested authority be issued.
3. A public hearing is not necessary.
4. Applicant should be authorized to pick up passengers within a radius of 40 air miles from its home terminal at 1904 Hotel Circle North, San Diego.
5. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusion of Law

Public convenience and necessity have been demonstrated and a certificate should be granted.

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 Presidential Limousine Service, Ltd., authorizing it 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 1904 Hotel Circle North, San Diego.

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 Orders 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.

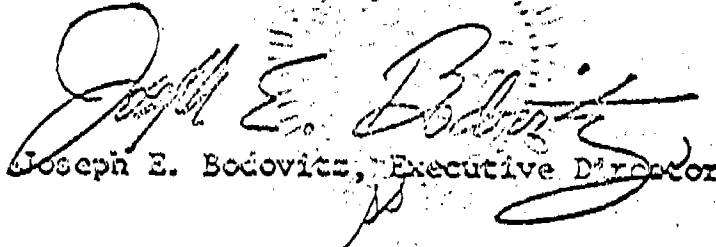
This order is effective 30 days from today.

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