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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of Charles Wayne Estelle & Gary Lynn Caufield, doing business as G&G Limousine, for a Class B charter bus certificate from home terminal in West Covina.

Application 83-11-41 (Filed November 18, 1983)

<u>o p i n i o n</u>

Applicants Charles Wayne Estelle and Gary Lynn Caufield, a partnership doing business as G&G Limousine request a Class B charter-party bus certificate from a service area within 40 miles from their home terminal at 1409 Camper Drive, West Covina. Notice of the filing of the application appeared in the Commission Daily Transportation Calendar of November 23, 1983. No protests to the application have been received.

The application shows that applicants expect to operate two 6-passenger Cadillac limousines in the proposed service, the one a 1980 model and the other a 1977 model. The partnership had a net worth of approximately \$45,000 as of November 10, 1983. Together, the partners have combined safe driving experience of 40 years. Applicants have not been previously issued operative authority by this Commission.

Applicants state they have conducted a survey in the San Gabriel Valley and in the Metropolitan Los Angeles area the results of which, they contend, show a public need for their service. Findings of Fact

1. Applicants request a Class B charter-party bus certificate from a service area within 40 miles from their home terminal at 1409 Camper Drive, West Covina.

- 2. Applicants will operate two 6-passenger Cadillac limousines in the proposed operations.
- 3. The partners have a combined safe driving experience of 40 years.
- 4. As of November 10, 1983 applicants had a net worth of approximately \$45,000.
- 5. A survey conducted by applicants resulted in a showing of public need for their service.
- 6. Applicants have the ability, experience, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.
- 7. Public convenience and necessity require the service proposed by the applicants.
- 8. Applicants should be authorized to pick up passengers within a radius of 40 air miles from their home terminal at 1409 Camper Drive, West Covina.
 - 9. A hearing is not necessary.
- 10. 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

The application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenince and necessity, to be renewed each year, is granted to Charles Wayne Estelle and Gary Lynn Caufield (applicants) authorizing them to operate as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers, as defined in Public Utilities Code § 5383, from a service area with a radius of 40 air miles from applicants' home terminal at 1409 Camper Drive, West Covina.

2. Applicants 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, applicants 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 becomes effective 30 days from today. Dated FFB 16 1984, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.

Prosident
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.

oseph E. Bodovitz.