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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of AMERICAN WEST LIMOUSINE for )  
a charter-party carrier of pas- )  
sengers certificate from home )  
terminal in Los Angeles County, )  
State of California. )  
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Application 83-12-11  
(Filed December 7, 1983)

O P I N I O N

American West Limousine, a California corporation, seeks authority to operate as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers from its headquarters at 5363 Yolanda Avenue, Tarzana. Applicant intends to provide the proposed service using one 1983 Cadillac seven-passenger stretch limousine which is leased.

Notice of the filing of the application appeared in the Daily Transportation Calendar of December 14, 1983. No protests have been received.

Applicant's financial statement of December 5, 1983 shows assets of \$25,000, which is a loan to the corporation from the corporation's sole shareholder. The sole shareholder shows assets of \$386,000 and total liabilities of \$42,000. Applicant's sole shareholder and employee has operated a motor vehicle over the public highways since 1954 and has had substantial experience in the transportation of passengers by limousine as a limousine chauffeur.

Applicant alleges that the Los Angeles area suffers from a lack of available limousine transportation, and will continue to do so especially during the 1984 Olympics and, therefore, this proposed service is required by public convenience and necessity.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant has the ability, experience, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.
2. Public convenience and necessity require the service proposed by applicant.
3. Applicant should be authorized to pick up passengers within a radius of 40 air miles from its home terminal at 5363 Yolanda Avenue, Tarzana, California.
4. 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 American West Limousine, a California corporation, 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 5363 Yolanda Avenue, Tarzana, California.

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 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.

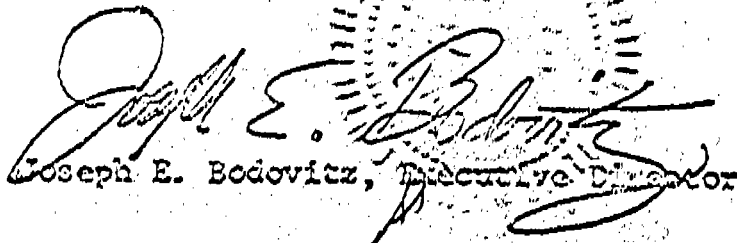
6. The Class B certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by this order does not authorize round-trip sightseeing-tour service, which is not subject to regulation by this Commission. It does, however, permit applicant to offer charter service to a sightseeing-tour operator.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated MAR 21 1984, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.  
President  
VICTOR CALVO  
PRISCILLA C. CREW  
DONALD VIAL  
WILLIAM T. BAGLEY  
Commissioners

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

  
Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director