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Decision <u>84 05 085</u>

MAY 16 1984

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of TransWest Tour and Travel, Inc. for a Class B charter bus certificate from home terminal in Yorba Linda, County of Orange, California.

Application 84-03-73 (Filed March 22, 1984)

#### OPINION

TransWest Tour and Travel, Inc., a California corporation, has applied for a certificate of public convenience and necessity as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers (Public Utilities (PU) Code Sections 5371 to 5375).

No Commission operating authority has been held by applicant. Applicant states that its management has had at least 12 years experience in the operation of over-the-road truck and bus equipment with collateral experience in tour operations.

Applicant states that it intends "to provide charter service to regular existing groups, such as church, fraternal, manufacturing, senior citizens, etc. In addition, Applicant has an arrangement with an European tour broker for services within California in the transportation of groups from Europe."

Applicant's total assets are \$264,000, \$167,000 of which is attributed to applicant's new 46-passenger bus. It is projected that the typical year's mileage will be 65,000 miles producing a revenue of \$110,000.

Notice of the filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Transportation Calendar of March 27, 1984. No protests have been received.

#### 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 18032 C Lemon Drive, Yorba Linda.
- 4. No protest has been received and a public hearing is not necessary.
- 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.

### Conclusions of Law

- 1. Public convenience and necessity have been demonstrated and a certificate should be granted.
- 2. This order should become effective immediately as public convenience and necessity have been demonstrated.

### ORDER

## IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity, to be renewed each year, is granted to TransWest Tour and Travel, Inc. 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 18032 C Lemon Drive, Yorba Linda.

#### 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 (GO) Series 115.
- 4. In providing service under the certificate, applicant shall comply with GO Series 98 and 115 and the CHP safety rules.
- 5. Prior to initiating service to any airport, the applicant shall notify the airport authority involved. 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.
  - 7. The application is granted as set forth above.
    This order is effective today.
    Dated May 16, 1984, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR. President

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# 2. Applicant shall:

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