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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Universal Express Inc. for)
authority to operate as a passenger)
stage corporation between points)
in the Los Angeles County and)
LAX Airport.)

Application 88-12-044
(Filed December 21, 1988)

OPINION

Universal Express, Inc., a California corporation, requests authority under Public Utilities (PU) Code § 1031, et seq. to establish and operate a passenger stage corporation service for the transportation of passengers and baggage between points in Los Angeles County and the Los Angeles International Airport.

Notice of filing of the application appeared in the Commission's Daily Transportation Calendar on December 30, 1988. In addition, notice of the filing of the application was served by applicant on all governmental agencies and regional transportation planning agencies within whose boundaries passengers will be loaded and unloaded. There have been no protests to the application filed with the Commission, and Transportation Division staff recommends ex parte handling of the application.

Applicant proposes to perform an on-call service seven days per week using two vehicles - a 1988 seven passenger Dodge van and a 1988 seven passenger Ford van.

A balance sheet attached to the application shows applicant to have \$22,500 assets, including approximately \$7,700 cash in banks, and a net worth of \$16,500 as of November 1, 1988.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant has the ability, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.

2. No protests to the application have been filed.
3. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.
4. As no protests have been filed, this order should be effective immediately.
5. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

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

Only the amount paid to the state for operative rights may be used in rate fixing. The state may grant any number of rights and may cancel or modify the monopoly feature of these rights at any time.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Universal Express, Inc., authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in PU Code § 226, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix PSC-5452, to transport persons and their baggage.
2. Applicant shall:
 - a. File a written acceptance of this certificate within 30 days after this order is effective.
 - b. Establish the authorized service and file tariffs and timetables within 120 days after this order is effective.
 - c. State in its tariffs and timetables when service will start; allow at least 10 days notice to the Commission; and make timetables and tariffs effective 10 or more days after this order is effective.

- d. Comply with General Orders Series 79, 98, 101, and 104, and the California Highway Patrol Safety Rules.
- e. Maintain accounting records in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts.
- f. Remit to the Commission the transportation reimbursement fee required by PU Code § 403 when notified by mail to do so.

3. Prior to initiating service to any airport, 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.

4. Applicant is authorized to begin operations on the date that the Executive Director mails a notice to applicant that it has evidence of insurance on file with the Commission and that the California Highway Patrol has approved the use of applicant's vehicles for service.

- 5. The application is granted as set forth above. This order is effective today.

Dated May 10, 1989, at San Francisco, California.

G. MITCHELL WILK
President
FREDERICK R. DUDA
STANLEY W. HULETT
JOHN B. OHANIAN
PATRICIA M. ECKERT
Commissioners

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

Victor Weisser
Victor Weisser, Executive Director

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Appendix PSC-5452

Universal Express, Inc.

Original Title Page

CERTIFICATE

OF

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

AS A PASSENGER STAGE CORPORATION

PSC-5452

Showing passenger stage operative rights, restrictions,
limitations, exceptions, and privileges.

All changes and amendments as authorized by
the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California
will be made as revised pages or added original pages.

Issued under authority of Decision 89 05 014, dated
MAY 10 1989 of the Public Utilities Commission of the
State of California in Application 88-12-044.

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SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS,
AND SPECIFICATIONS.

Universal Express, Inc., by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized as a passenger stage coach to provide on-call, door-to-door services to transport passengers and their baggage between points in Los Angeles County, described in Section 2, and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), over and along the routes described in Section 3, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify the routes at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- (a) 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.
- (b) When route descriptions are given in one direction, they apply to operations in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- (c) No passengers shall be transported except those having a point of origin or destination at LAX.
- (d) The term "on-call" as used refers to service which is authorized to be rendered dependent on the demands of passengers. The tariffs and timetables shall show the conditions under which each authorized on-call service will be provided, and shall include the description of the boundary of each fare zone, except when a single fare is charged to all points within a single incorporated city.

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SECTION 2. SERVICE AREA DESCRIPTION.

All points within the following cities and zip code areas in Los Angeles County:

Alhambra	91803, 91801
Monterey Park	91754
Montebello	90640
Rosemead	91770
El Monte	91731, 91732, 91733

SECTION 3. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS.

Route 1. ON-CALL, DOOR-TO-DOOR SERVICE

Commencing at LAX then via the most convenient streets and highways to any point within the authorized service area described in Section 2.

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