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Decision 90-12-059 December 19, 1990

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Desert Stage Lines, )  
 Inc. for certificate of public )  
 convenience and necessity to operate )  
 a passenger and baggage service )  
 between points in San Bernardino )  
 County and the Palm Springs, Ontario )  
 and Los Angeles Airports and return. )

**ORIGINAL**  
 Application 90-07-049  
 (Filed July 16, 1990)

O P I N I O N

Desert Stage Lines, Inc., a California corporation, requests authority under Public Utilities (PU) Code § 1031, et seq., to extend its passenger stage corporation service to include the transportation of passengers and their baggage between points in the Counties of Riverside, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles, on the one hand, and Palm Springs Municipal Airport, Ontario Airport, and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), on the other hand.

The application appeared on the Commission's Transportation Calendar on July 27, 1990. No protests have been received.

On September 6, 1990, Transportation Division staff advised applicant of certain deficiencies in its application which required correction.

On October 9, 1990, staff filed a supplemental advice of participation which stated, in part:

"On September 26, 1990, applicant submitted (via FAX) corrections to certain documents including timetable for the proposed scheduled services, updated balance sheet and income statement, and a projected annual income statement to complete the application. The income statement on current operations shows revenues of \$767,479.00 and profit before taxes of \$60,694.45 as of June, 1990. Applicant's balance sheet dated July 31, 1990, shows a net worth of \$107,248.00. The proposed route

requires passengers to transfer in either direction at a "hub" in the City of Palm Desert. Applicant's primary passengers are residents of the U. S. Marine Corps Base at Twentynine Palms. Two buses will be dedicated to the LAX-Palm Desert run. Staff believes applicant has the experience and resources to provide a reliable service."

Staff notes that PSC-927, granted to applicant on June 29, 1983 by Decision 83-06-104, is in good standing and recommends ex parte approval of the requested authority.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant has the ability, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service.
2. Public convenience and necessity require the proposed service.
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 this application involves only the expansion of an existing service, the order should be effective on date of signing.

Conclusion of Law

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

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.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The certificate of public convenience and necessity granted to Desert Stage Lines, Inc., a corporation, authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Public Utilities (PU) Code § 226, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix PSC-927, to transport persons and baggage, is amended by First Revised Pages 1, 2, and 5 which cancel Original Pages 1, 2, and 5.

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 101, 104, and 158, 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. Before beginning service to any airport, applicant shall notify the airport's governing body. Applicant shall not operate into or on airport property unless such operations are also authorized by the airport's governing body.

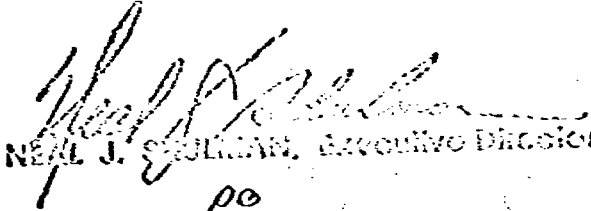
4. Applicant is authorized to begin operations on the date that the Executive Director mails a notice to applicant that its evidence of insurance is on file with the Commission and that the California Highway Patrol has approved the use of applicant's vehicles for service.

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

Dated December 19, 1990, 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

  
NEAL J. SULLIVAN, Executive Director  
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SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS,  
AND SPECIFICATIONS.

This certificate supersedes all operating authority previously granted to Ardella Cook, doing business as Desert Stage Lines, or her predecessors.

Desert Stage Lines, Inc., a corporation, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized as a passenger stage corporation to transport passengers, baggage, express between \*points in the counties of Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego and Los Angeles, described in Section 2, and the United States Marine Corps (USMC) Base in the City of Twentynine Palms, on the one hand, and scheduled service between, USMC Base, Palm Springs Municipal Airport (PSP), Ontario Airport (ONT), Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and intermediate points, on the other hand, over and along the routes described in Section 3, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify the route at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- (a) \*This certificate does not authorize the holder to conduct any operation on the property of or into any airport unless such operation is authorized by the airport authority involved.
- (b) When route descriptions are given in one direction, they apply to operations in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- (c) \*Only passengers originating from or destined to USMC Base, PSP, ONT or LAX shall be transported.
- (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 the authorized on-call services 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.
- (e) The transportation of baggage or express shall be on passenger carrying vehicles and shall be incidental to the transportation of passengers and limited to a weight of not more than 100 pounds per shipment.

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SECTION 3. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (Continued)

Route No. 3 - Twentynine Palms USMC Base - Los Angeles

Beginning at Twentynine Palms USMC Base then via Condor Road, Adobe Road, Twentynine Palms Highway (Highway 62) and Interstate Highway 10 (San Bernardino Freeway) to Los Angeles, leaving at Spring Street off ramp; Spring Street to 7th Street, Los Angeles Street to the Greyhound - RTD Terminal between 6th and 7th Streets on Los Angeles Street.

Route No. 4 - Twentynine Palms USMC Base - Victorville

Beginning at Twentynine Palms USMC Base then via Condor Road, Adobe Road, Highway 62 (Twentynine Palms Highway), State Highway 247, and State Highway 18, to Victorville.

\*Route No. 5 - Schedule Airport Access Service - PSP, ONT, LAX

Beginning at Twentynine Palms USMC Base then via the most convenient streets and highways to Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, Morongo, Desert Hot Springs, Palm Desert, PSP, San Bernardino, Ontario Airport, West Covina and LAX, and return.

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