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Decision 92-03-020 March 11, 1992

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
Golden Gates Shuttle Co., Inc., for
authority to operate as a passenger
stage corporation between points in
the City and County of San Francisco,
County of San Mateo, and the San
Francisco International Airport.

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Application 91-10-048
(Filed October 24, 1991)

O P I N I O N

Statement of Facts

Golden State Shuttle Co., Inc. (applicant), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, pursuant to provisions of Public Utilities Code § 1031, by this application seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate an on-call, door to door, passenger stage service on a 24 hours per day, seven days per week basis, to and from points in the City and County of San Francisco, Foster City, and points in San Mateo County, north of State Highway 92, on one hand, and the San Francisco International Airport, on the other hand.

Applicant has arranged for purchase of three 1992 Dodge eight-passenger vans; these purchases to be effected upon receipt of the authority requested by its application. These initial units will be operated by three stockholders of the applicant with additional units to be added as practical. Liability insurance will be acquired in amounts not less than those specified and required by General Order 101-E.

Applicant proposes the following fares from any point in the service area to the San Francisco International Airport, or from the San Francisco International Airport to any point in the service area:

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| 1. Adult fare | \$9.00 per one way |
| 2. Senior Citizen (persons
over 65 years of age) | \$8.00 per one way |
| 3. Child under 5 years of age * | \$6.00 per one way |
| 4. Child under 2 years of age * | Free |

* Children under 5 years of age must be accompanied by an adult passenger.

Applicant alleges that traffic congestion and substantially increased parking fees coupled with a shortage of parking during peak travel periods have caused large numbers of the travelling public to seek for-hire van-type door-to-door alternatives to private vehicle usage to avoid these difficulties. Applicant's drivers have years of experience in taxi and limousine service in the Bay Area, and with linguistic capabilities in Russian, Belorussian, Ukrainian, Latvian, German, and Polish, will be of particular service to the growing influx of persons and travelers from the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Eastern European countries.

Exhibit E, attached to the application, includes a copy of the Balance Sheets, respectively dated October 18, 1991, of each of the three principals of the applicant corporation, Lazar Veysman, President, Mikhail Linetsky, Vice President, and Mark Berman, Treasurer. They purport to disclose combined assets of \$2,240,500, liabilities of \$1,267,250, for a resulting net worth of \$973,250.

The application was served in accordance with Rule 21(k) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Notice of the filing of the application was published in the Commission's Daily

Transportation Calendar of November 5, 1991. No protests to the granting of the application have been received. On December 30, 1991, the Tariff and License Branch of the Transportation Division recommended ex parte granting of the application.

Discussion

The three principals, sole stockholders in this recently organized California corporation, are initially making a capital investment of \$15,000 in the corporation, will provide the initial three Dodge vans to commence the proposed service, and will make available any additional funds required for the operation. They are experienced in local passenger transportation, and have substantial assets available to accomplish their objective. Granting of the application will benefit the environment by reducing the number of private vehicles operating in the Bay Area and at the airport. It will also responsively meet a growing demand for service employing drivers who speak Eastern European languages.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant seeks authority to perform operations as a passenger stage corporation between points in the City and County of San Francisco, Foster City, and San Mateo County north of State Highway 92, on one hand, and the San Francisco International Airport, on the other hand.
2. Applicant has access to the financial resources to provide the proposed service.
3. Public convenience and necessity require the issuance of a certificate to provide the proposed service.
4. No protests have been received and staff recommends issuance of a certificate.
5. A public hearing is not necessary.
6. It can be seen with reasonable certainty that there is no possibility that the activity proposed may have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

Conclusions of Law

1. The application should be granted.
2. 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. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Golden Gate Shuttle Co., Inc. (Golden Gate), authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Public Utilities Code § 226, commencing or terminating at the San Francisco International Airport, from or to the points set forth in Appendix PSC-7570 of this decision, via the most convenient streets and highways within the service area described in the appendix, to transport persons and their baggage.
2. Golden Gate shall:
 - a. File a written acceptance of this certificate within 30 days after the effective date of this order.
 - b. Establish the authorized service and file tariffs and timetables within 120 days after the effective date of this order.
 - c. State in its tariffs and timetables when service will start; allow at least 10 days' notice to the Commission; and make tariffs and timetables effective 10 or more days after the effective date of this order.
 - 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 Public Utilities Code § 403 when notified by mail to do so.

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

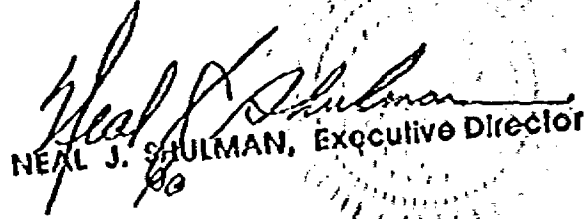
4. Golden Gate is authorized to begin operations on the date that the Commission's Executive Director mails a notice to Golden Gate that Golden Gate's evidence of insurance is on file with the Commission and that the California Highway Patrol has approved the use of Golden Gate's vehicles for service.

5. Applicant shall comply with Public Utilities Code §§ 460.7 and 1043, relating to the Workers' Compensation laws of this state.

6. The application is granted as set forth above.
This order becomes effective 30 days from today.
Dated March 11, 1992, at San Francisco, California.

DANIEL Wm. FESSLER
President
JOHN B. OHANIAN
PATRICIA M. ECKERT
NORMAN D. SHUMWAY
Commissioners

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


NEAL J. SHULMAN, Executive Director

CERTIFICATE
OF
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
PSG-7570
TO OPERATE AS A
PASSENGER STAGE CORPORATION

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

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.

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

Golden State Shuttle Co., Inc., a corporation, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport passengers and their baggage on an "on-call" basis, between the points described in Section II, and the San Francisco International Airport (SFO), over and along the route described in Section III, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify the route at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- a. When route descriptions are given in one direction, they apply to operation in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- b. 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 rendered.
- c. No passengers shall be transported except those having a point of origin or destination at SFO.
- d. 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.

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SECTION II. SERVICE AREAS.

All points in the following areas:

- A. City and County of San Francisco.
- B. Foster City in San Mateo County.
- C. Areas of San Mateo County north of State Highway 92.

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SECTION III. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS.

Route 1--Via the most convenient streets and highways between the San Francisco International Airport and Service Area as defined in Section II.

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