Decision 92-11-011 November 6, 1992

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

On the matter of Application of Peter Stojka dba Peter's Airport Shuttle for Authority to Establish a a Zone of Rate Freedom for the Service Authorized Under PSC 6438.

Application 92-07-002 (Filed July 2, 1992)

## OPINION

peter Stojka, an individual, doing business as Peter's Airport Shuttle (Applicant), a passenger stage corporation (PSC-6438), requests authority to establish a zone of rate freedom (ZORF) for his passenger fares under Public Utilities (PU) Code § 454.2.

Applicant provides on-call service between points in the City and County of San Francisco (SF), on the one hand, and San Francisco (SFO) and Oakland (OAK) International Airports.

Applicant's existing authority was granted by Decisions (D.) 91-09-010 and D.92-03-012 which established applicant's existing fares as shown below:

Between SF: and	Adult	Seniors (over 65 yrs)	Children (under 5 yrs*)
ŚFÓ OAK	\$10 \$15	\$8 \$10	\$6 \$7 *(under 2 yrs free)

This application proposes a ZORF that sets the lower and upper limits at \$5 from the above present fares. The minimum and maximum ZORF fare to SFO would be \$11 and \$1. Applicant requested by letter received by the Transportation Division on September 16th, that any fare less than \$2 as the result of the ZORF will be adjusted to a minimum of \$2.

Applicant compétes with other passenger stage corporations, taxi cabs, limousines, and automobiles in its service area.

Applicant also requests exemption from the long- and short-haul provisions of PU Code § 460. This exemption is customary when a ZORF is authorized and we find it reasonable. Findings of Fact

- 1. Applicant is a passenger stage corporation operating an on-call service between points in SF, on the one hand, and SFO and OAK, on the other hand.
- 2. Applicant's present fares were authorized by D.91-09-010 and D.92-03-012.
- 3. Applicant requests authority to establish a ZORF of \$5 above and below his present fares. Any fare that will result in less than \$2 will be adjusted to a minimum of \$2.
- 4. Applicant compétés with other passenger stage corporations, taxi cabs, limousines, and automobiles in its operations.
- 5. The granting of an exemption to the long- and shorthaul provisions of PU Code § 460 is appropriate in this case.
- 6. Notice of the filing of this application appeared on the July 7, 1992 Daily Transportation Calendar.
  - 7. No protests to the application have been filed.
  - 8. A public hearing is not necessary.

## Conclusions of Law

- 1. The application for a ZORF should be granted.
- Before applicant charges fares under the ZORF authorized below, it should give this Commission 10 days' notice.

- 3. The filing of ZORF fares should be accompanied by a tariff amendment showing the fares between SF, on the one hand, and SFO and OAK, on the other hand, the high and low ends of the ZORF and the then currently effective fares.
- 4. In order to make the proposed fares changes available as soon as possible, the following order should be effective on the date of this decision.

## ORDBR

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Peter Stojka, doing business as Peter's Airport Shuttle (Applicant), is authorized under Public Utilities (PU) Code § 454.2 to establish fares within a zone of rate freedom (ZORF) that sets the lower or minimum limit at \$5 and the upper or maximum limit at \$5 from applicant's present fares, except where application of ZORF reduces a fare to less than \$2 such fare will be adjusted to a minimum of \$2.
- 2. Applicant shall file a ZORF tariff in accordance with the application on not less than 10 days' notice to the Commission and to the public and subject to Commission approval. The ZORF shall expire unless exercised within 60 days after the effective date of this order.
- 3. Applicant may make changes within the ZORF by filing amended tariffs on not less than 10 days' notice to the Commission and to the public. The tariff shall include for each route the authorized maximum and minimum fares and the fare to be charged.
- 4. Applicant is exempted from the long- and short-haul provisions of PU Code \$460 in setting the authorized ZORF fares.

- 5. In addition to posting and filing tariffs, applicant shall post notices explaining fare changes in its terminals and passenger-carrying vehicles. Such notices shall be posted at least 5 days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for at least 30 days.
  - 6. The application is granted as set forth above.

    This order is effective today.

    Dated NOV 06 1992, at San Francisco, California.

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

WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY

ENL J. SMILMAN, EX