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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of A & B CHARTER SERVICES,)
INC., for a certificate to)
operate as a Class "B" charter-)
party carrier of passengers in)
Los Angeles County.)

Application 61106
(Filed December 4, 1981)

O P I N I O N

A & B Charter Services, Inc., a California corporation, in Application 61106 has requested a Class B certificate to operate as a charter-party carrier of passengers from its home terminal at 6128 Rod Avenue, Woodland Hills, California 91367.

Applicant corporation is the owner of three 41-passenger buses. Applicant shows a net worth of \$113,429 as of October 30, 1981.

Notice of the filing of the application appeared on the Commission's Daily Calendar on December 8, 1981 and copies of the application were served upon Red Carpet Bus Lines, Greyhound Lines, Inc. (Greyhound), American Bus Lines, Inc., Golden West Charter Line, California Charter Buses, Lounge Car Tours Charter Company, Gray Line Tours Company, LCT California Charter Coach Company, Starline Sightseeing Tours, Your Man Tours, Inc., Trailways, Inc., AAA Charter Bus, Inc., American Charter Enterprises, Butterfield Transport, Inc., and Get-A-Way Lines, Inc.

Greyhound filed a protest and request for hearing with the Commission on January 5, 1982. Applicant filed a modification to its application on February 2, 1982. As a consequence of the modification, Greyhound filed with the Commission a letter dated February 4, 1982 withdrawing its protest.

Applicant appears to be fit and able to perform the proposed service. Further, it is claimed that officers of applicant corporation have the experience necessary for such an undertaking.

Although applicant submitted no environmental assessment under Rule 17.1(d)(1), we conclude that the nature of the service proposed could only result in salutary environmental effects.

If applicant ever wishes to remove the restriction in its certificate, it may file an application to modify the certificate.

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 6128 Rod Avenue, Woodland Hills, California 91367, except for that area described in applicant's Amended Application filed February 9, 1982 (as shown in Ordering Paragraph 1).

4. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

5. A public hearing is not required.

Conclusion of Law

Public convenience and necessity have been demonstrated and a certificate should be granted. Given the need for the proposed service the following order should be effective today.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity, to be renewed each year, is granted to A & B Charter Services, 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 6128 Rod Avenue, Woodland Hills, California 91367, except that this authority shall not include the area bounded as follows:

"At a point beginning at the junction of the Pacific Ocean and California Highway 27 extending northerly to the intersection of Highway 27 and US Highway 101 extending easterly along US 101 to the intersection of US Highway 101 and Interstate Highway 5 extending southerly along Interstate Highway 5 to the intersection of Interstate Highway 5 and Interstate Highway 10 extending westerly to California Highway 1 and then extending northeasterly to the intersection of Highway 1 and Highway 27."

2. The Passenger Operations Branch will issue the annual renewable certificate on Form PE-695, as authorized by Resolution PE-303, when it receives California Highway Patrol clearances and evidence of liability protection in compliance with General Order Series 115.

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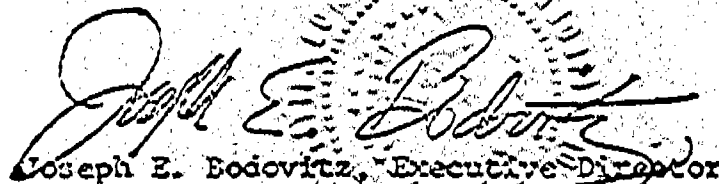
3. In providing service under the certificate, applicant shall comply with General Orders Series 98 and 115, and the California Highway Patrol safety rules.

This order is effective today.

Dated APR 6 1982, at San Francisco, California.

JOHN E. BRYSON
President
RICHARD D. GRAVELLE
LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.
VICTOR CALVO
PRISCILLA C. CREW
Commissioners

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


Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director