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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application }  
of Akira Tours, Inc., 404 S. }  
Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, }  
CA 90015 for a Class B charter }  
bus certificate from home }  
terminal in Los Angeles, CA. }

Application 82-06-42  
(Filed June 17, 1982)

O P I N I O N

Akira Tours, Inc. (applicant), a corporation, seeks a Class B certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a charter-party carrier of passengers from a service area with a 40-mile radius from its home terminal at 929 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles. Applicant operates as a charter-party carrier of passengers under permit TCP-1387P.

After notice, a timely protest was received from Greyhound Lines, Inc. (Greyhound), a Class A charter-party carrier of passengers. Greyhound agreed to withdraw its protest when applicant agreed to use only one bus, with a seating capacity of no more than 20 passengers, in providing charter-party service. If applicant ever wishes to have this bus restriction modified or removed from its certificate, it may file an application requesting such action.

On December 31, 1981, applicant's total assets were \$58,500, including a net value of \$35,139 for motor vehicle equipment, \$16,025 in cash, \$3,500 in accounts receivable, and \$3,836 in other current assets. Its liabilities were \$13,378, which includes a balance of \$12,069 due on its vehicles. Its net worth was \$44,122.

Applicant estimates first year operating revenues of \$72,000 and operating expenses of \$55,687, leaving net revenues of \$16,313.

Applicant has 3½ years of experience in transporting passengers by motor vehicle.

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 929 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles.
4. Greyhound agreed to withdraw its protest when applicant agreed to use only one bus, with a seating capacity of no more than 20 passengers, in providing charter-party service.
5. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusions of Law

1. Public convenience and necessity require that the requested authority should be issued subject to the restriction on applicant's operations contained in Finding 4.
2. The following order should be effective on the date of signature because there is a public need for the proposed service.

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 Akira Tours, Inc., authorizing it to operate as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers, as defined in Public Utilities Code Section 5383, from a service area with a radius of 40 air miles from its home terminal at 929 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles.

2. Applicant shall:

- a. Obtain California Highway Patrol (CHP) clearance for each vehicle to be used in this Class B charter-party operation.
- b. Notify the Commission and CHP of any addition or deletion of vehicle(s) used in the service prior to use.
- c. Establish the authorized service within 360 days after this order is effective.

3. 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.

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

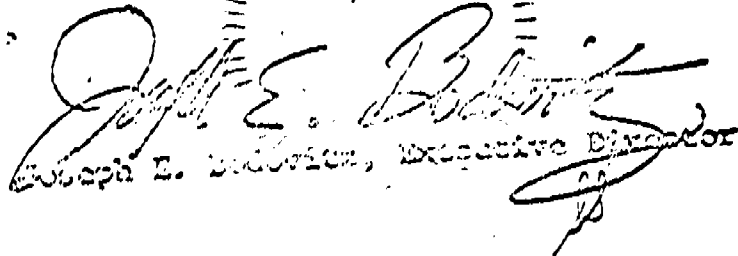
5. Applicant shall not use more than one bus, with a capacity of no more than 20 passengers, in its operations.

This order is effective today.

Dated OCT 6 1982, at San Francisco, California.

JOHN E. BRYSON  
President  
RICHARD D. CRAVELLE  
LEONARD M. CRIMES, JR.  
VICTOR CALVO  
PRISCILLA C. GREW  
Commissioners

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

  
Joseph E. Bryson, Executive Director