

**ORIGINAL**Decision 83 08 023 AUG 3 1983

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of )  
 Arthur A. Moorefield, dba Sunworld )  
 Airport Van Service, to increase )  
 fares with respect to the passenger )  
 stage corporation business currently )  
 operated under authority of Decision )  
 No. 82-12-085. )

Application 83-04-07  
 (Filed April 4, 1983;  
 amended July 11, 1983)

O P I N I O N

Arthur A. Moorefield (applicant), doing business as Sunworld Airport Van Service, operates as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-1141), providing on-call service between designated service areas in San Bernardino County and Ontario International Airport, Los Angeles International Airport, John Wayne Airport, Palm Springs Airport, and the Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors.

By Application (A.) 83-04-07, as amended, applicant seeks authority to increase passenger fares to Ontario International Airport as shown in the following table:

One-Way Adult Passenger Fares

<u>Between Ontario International Airport and</u>	<u>Present*</u> <u>Fares</u>	<u>Proposed*</u> <u>Fares</u>
Bloomington	\$ 9.00	\$12.00
Colton	12.00	14.00
Fontana	9.00	12.00
Highland Territory	13.00	15.00
Loma Linda	12.00	14.00
Redlands	15.00	18.00
Rialto	12.00	14.00
San Bernardino	12.00	14.00

Note:

\*The fare for each adult person in excess of three, picked up or delivered at the same time, in the same party, shall be \$4.00.

Applicant's present fares were established by Decision (D.) 93870, dated December 15, 1981, in A.60852.

Applicant alleges that the requested fare increase is necessary to offset increases in operating costs, thus allowing the continued operation of his passenger stage corporation.

Based on the information contained in the application, the following table sets forth the estimated results of operations under present and proposed fares for a test year ending December 31, 1983.

	<u>Test Year Ending December 31, 1983</u>	
	<u>Present Fares</u>	<u>Proposed Fares</u>
Operating Revenues	\$58,800	\$63,300
Operating Expenses	61,500	62,200
Operating Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	(2,700)	1,100
Operating Ratio Before Income Taxes	105%	98%

(Red Figure)

As indicated by the above table, applicant's operations in the test year ending December 31, 1983 under his present fares will be at a loss of \$2,700. The proposed fares will result in an annual gross revenue of \$63,300, an annual gross revenue increase of \$4,500, with an operating ratio of 98% before income taxes.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant seeks authority to increase his passenger stage fares by an average of approximately 7.7%.
2. Applicant's present fares were authorized by D.93870 dated December 15, 1981.
3. Applicant's operations in the test year ending December 31, 1983 under his present fares will be at a loss of \$2,700.

4. The requested fare increase will result in an additional annual gross revenue of \$4,500, with an operating ratio of 98% before income taxes.

5. The requested fares are necessary to offset applicant's increases in operating costs.

6. The fare increase requested in A.83-04-07 is justified.

7. No protests have been received concerning this application, and a public hearing is not necessary.

8. Since applicant's operations will be at a loss under the present fares, the effective date of this order should be the date of signature.

Conclusion of Law

The fare increase requested in A.83-04-07 is just and reasonable and should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Arthur A. Moorefield is authorized to establish the increased fares as proposed in A.83-04-07, filed April 4, 1983, as amended. Tariffs shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order. They may go into effect five days or more after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

2. This authority shall expire unless exercised within 90 days after the effective date of this order.

3. In addition to the required posting and filing of tariffs, Arthur A. Moorefield shall give notice to the public by posting in his operating vehicles a printed explanation of his fares. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for a period of not less than 30 days.

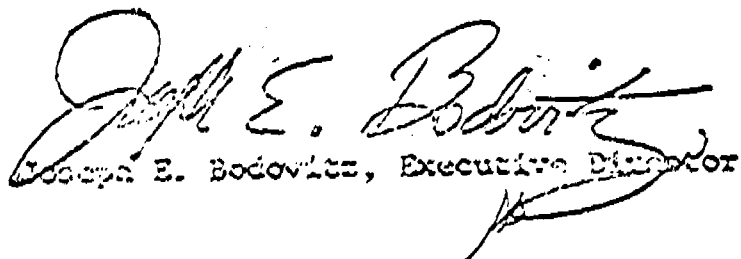
This order is effective today.

Dated     AUG    3    1983    , at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.  
President

VICTOR CALVO  
PRISCILLA C. GREW  
DONALD VIAL  
WILLIAM T. BAGLEY  
Commissioners

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

  
Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director