

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 86843

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of SKYVIEW	)	
LIMOUSINE SERVICE, INC.,	)	
a California corporation,	)	
for authority to adjust	)	Application No. 56801
its rates for passenger	)	(Filed October 8, 1976)
stage fares between Los	)	
Angeles and Palm Springs	)	
and between Los Angeles	)	
and San Diego areas.	)	

O P I N I O N

Skyview Limousine Service, Inc., a California Corporation, presently providing service as a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC-884), seeks authority to increase its passenger fares between Palm Springs Territory and the Los Angeles Territory; and between San Diego - Coast Territory and Los Angeles Territory.

The present and proposed fares are as follows:

And	Between	Los Angeles Territory	
		Present Fares	Proposed Fares
Palm Springs Territory		\$12.50	\$15.00
Points in the Coast Territory			
North of Oceanside		10.00	12.00
Points in the Coast Territory to			
and including points in the San			
Diego Territory		12.50	15.00

Its present fares were established by Decision 84455, dated May 20, 1975 in Application 55016.

The applicant alleges that the proposed fare increase will cover the substantial increase in fuel, insurance, maintenance and labor expenses.

The staff of the Transportation Division has made an analysis of the applicant's operations and submitted a report on the estimated results of common carrier operations based on the future year ending December 31, 1977, under present and proposed fares.

The report is heroby received as Exhibit 1. The exhibit indicates the following results:

ESTIMATED RESULTS OF COMMON CARRIER OPERATIONS  
FOR RATE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1977

Item or Account		Rate Year 1977	
Number :	Description	Present Fares	Requested Fares:
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Passengers	10,430	9,910
	Bus Miles	225,000	225,000
	<u>Revenue</u>		
320	Passenger	\$130,340	\$148,580
	<u>Expenses</u>		
410	Maintenance	\$ 14,630	\$ 14,630
420	Transportation	57,730	57,730
440	Traffic	6,790	6,790
450	Insurance	14,640	14,640
460	Administration	30,740	30,740
500	Depreciation	7,780	7,780
520	Operating Tax	6,450	6,450
530	Rent	2,550	2,550
	Total Expenses	\$141,310	\$141,310
	Operating Income	\$-10,970	\$ 7,270
800	Income Tax	-1,190	580
	Net Income	\$ -9,780	\$ 6,690
	Operating Ratio	107.5%	95.5%

In accordance with Section 730.3 of the Public Utilities Code, affected state and local public agencies and corporations operating passenger transit systems were notified of the application and were requested to furnish an analysis of the effect of the proposed rate increase on overall transportation problems within the territories served by such passenger transit systems. No comments from the notified parties have been received.

In accordance with Section 730.5 of the Public Utilities Code, we find that the fare increase granted by this decision will result in a decrease in patronage of approximately five percent.

The fare increase will have no effect upon the public transit systems as proposed in required transportation plans prepared pursuant to Chapter 2.5 of Title 7 of the Government Code.

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar on October 13, 1976. No protests have been received.

After consideration, the Commission finds that:

1. The requested increase would result in additional annual revenue in the amount of \$18,240.
2. The proposed fare increase is justified.
3. A public hearing is not necessary.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Skyview Limousine Service, Inc., is authorized to establish the increased fares proposed in Application 56801. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.
2. The 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, applicant shall give notice to the public by posting in its buses and terminals a printed explanation of its 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.

Since the carrier is presently operating at a substantial loss, the effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 1977.

*Rahit Batunail*

President

*William J. Sturgeon*

*Leonard Ross*

Commissioners

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.