

Decision No. 86973

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Mt. Reba, Inc.)
 to make passenger rate)
 increases necessary to main-)
 tain passenger service)
 between Mt. Reba, California,)
 and Bear Valley, California.)

Application No. 56886
 (Filed November 22, 1976)

O P I N I O N

Mt. Reba, Inc., a California Corporation, presently providing service as a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC-986), seeks authority to increase its passenger one-way fare between Bear Valley and Mt. Reba ski area in Alpine County from 25 cents to 40 cents.

The present fare was established by Decision 85485, dated February 18, 1976, in Application 56054.

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

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar on November 23, 1976. Additionally, the Commission staff notified the Board of Supervisors of Alpine County of the receipt of this application pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 730.5. No protests or comments have been received. No public transit operators or cities will be affected by the proposed increase pursuant to Code Section 730.3.

The staff of the Transportation Division has reviewed this application and recommends that it be granted.

After consideration, the Commission finds that:

1. The requested increase would result in additional annual revenue in the amount of \$6,500.
2. The proposed fare increase is justified.
3. A public hearing is not necessary.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Mt. Reba, Inc., is authorized to establish the increased fare proposed in Application 56886. 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 fare. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare increase and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days

Since the ski season has already commenced and is of short duration, the effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15th day of FEBRUARY, 1977.

Robert Bateman
President

William Aguirre Jr.

[Signature]

Richard D. Howell
Commissioners