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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CADIFORNIA

Application of Manfred L. Lazarus, to increase passenger fares between Union Square, San Francisco, on the one hand, and on the other, the Holiday Inn; Imperial "400"; International Inn; Rodeway Inn and the Royal Inn, in Cal. P.U.C. No.2, series of James R. Nyhan and Marjorie R. Nyhan, doing business as Bomar's Charter Service, as more fully outlined herein.

Application No. 57210 (Filed April 8, 1977)

AND

For authority to depart from the terms of Sections 454 and 491 of the Public Utilities Code in accomplishing proposed publication.

<u>opinion</u>

Manfred L. Lazarus, an individual, is operating as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-997) between Union Square, San Francisco, on the one hand, and the Holiday Inn, Imperial "400", International Inn and the Royal Inn in the San Francisco International Airport area, on the other hand.

By this application, Manfred L. Lazarus seeks authority to increase passenger fares by approximately eight percent.

The applicant alleges that fuel, maintenance and insurance costs continue to escalate since the present fares were authorized.

The present fares were originally established by Decision No. 82011, dated October 13, 1973, in Application No. 54241 of applicant's predecessors, James R. Nyhan and Marjorie R. Nyhan, doing business as Bomar's Charter Service. By Decision No. 85962, dated June 15, 1976 in Application No. 54241, the operative rights of James R. Nyhan and Marjorie R. Nyhan were transferred to Manfred L. Lazarus, who adopted the same fares as

shown in Local Tariff No. 2 issued by James R. Nyhan, dated May 9, 1974.

The staff of the Transportation Division has made an analysis of the applicant's operations and submitted a report on the estimated results of operations based on future year ending July 31, 1978.

The staff report on results of operations based on the future year ending July 31, 1978 under present and proposed fares is hereby received as Exhibit 1.

Exhibit 1 is summarized in the following tabulation:

.	Year Ending July 31, 1978	
Item	Present Fares	Requested Fares
Revenues	\$32,400	\$35,100
Expenses	35,145	35,145
Income Tax	565	685
Net Income	-3.310	-730
Operating Ratio - %	110%	102%

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 fare increase on overall transportation problems within the territories served by such passenger transit systems.

The parties so notified advised that the proposed increase would have no effect upon their operations.

In accordance with Section 730.5 of the Public Utilities Code, we find that the fare increase proposed by applicant will have a negligible effect on patronage, and will have no effect on required transportation plans.

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar on April 11, 1977. No protests have been received.

After consideration the Commission finds that:

- 1. The requested fare increase would result in additional annual revenue of \$2,700.
 - 2. The proposed fare increase is justified.
 - 3. A public hearing is unnecessary.
- 4. Applicant should be allowed to depart from Sections 454 and 491 of the Public Utilities Code in accomplishing the publication of the proposed fares.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Manfred L. Lazarus is authorized to establish the increased fares proposed in Application 57210. 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 ninety 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 his buses and terminals, 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 thirty days.

Since applicant will be operating at a loss even under the authorized fares, the effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at Sep Francisco , California, this 27 de day of SEPTEMBER , 1977.

President

Commissioners

Commissioner William Symons. Jr., being necessarily absent, did not northicipate in the disposition of this proceeding.