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# Decision No. <u>20129</u> SEP 191978

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORN

In the Matter of the Application ) of GARMENT CARRIERS, INC. and ) A & B GARMENT DELIVERY OF SAN ) FRANCISCO to merge into A & B ) TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC. )

Application No. 58145 (Filed June 14, 1978)

# $\underline{O P I N I O N}$

Garment Carriers, Inc., a California corporation, hereinafter referred to as "GC", and A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco, a California corporation, hereinafter referred to as "AB/SF", jointly seek authority to merge and transfer into A & B Transportation Services, Inc., a California corporation, hereinafter referred to as "AB/TS". GC and AB/SF are both wholly owned subsidiaries of AB/TS.

GC holds authority as a highway common carrier for the transportation of wearing apparel and related commodities in central and southern California under a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision 82032 dated October 24, 1973 in Application 54041. The certificate is the subject of a Certificate of Registration issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission in Docket No. MC-116877.

AB/SF operates under a certificate of public convenience and necessity as a highway common carrier for the transportation of general commodities between points in an area encompassed by an imaginary line connecting the cities of Santa Rosa, Sacramento, Modesto, San Jose and San Francisco. The certificate was granted pursuant to Decision 61999 dated May 16, 1961 in Application 42840 and has been amended twice. The certificate is the subject of a Certificate of Registration issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission in Docket No. MC-99339.

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AB/TS holds a highway common carrier certificate authorizing the transportation of garments, clothing and wearing apparel and related commodities between points in the Los Angeles Basin Area, as described therein. The certificate was granted pursuant to Decision 62337 dated July 25, 1961 in Application 42708 and has been amended once. It is the subject of a Certificate of Registration issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission in Docket No. MC-98571. By Decision 83688 dated November 6, 1974 in Application 55232, AB/TS was authorized to temporarily lease the certificated operating authority of Nelson Western, a California corporation, pending the issuance of a Section 5 order of the Interstate Commerce Commission in Docket No. MC-F-12068 to transfer the said operating authority from Nelson Western to AB/TS.

An application was filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission under Section 5 of the Interstate Commerce Act for the merger of the interstate operating rights and properties of the three carriers. That Commission issued an order on December 12, 1977 in Docket No. MC-F-13243 authorizing the merger. The authority of the I.C.C. under Section 5 is exclusive and plenary, but since the I.C.C. Certificate of Registration cannot be sold separate and apart from the state certificate which supports it, applicants have filed the instant application with this Commission to transfer the underlying state certificates.

Under the terms of the merger agreement filed as Exhibit D to the application, the outstanding shares of capital stock of the merging corporations, GC and AB/SF, will be cancelled. No shares of the surviving corporation, AB/TS, will be issued in exchange therefor.

Notice of the filing of the application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 19, 1978. No protests have been received. The applicants should be granted a deviation from the provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure which require wide dissemination of the application.

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After consideration, the Commission finds that the proposed merger would not be adverse to the California public interest and concludes that the application should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order. A public hearing is not necessary. The order which follows will provide for, in the event the merger is completed, the revocation of the certificates presently held by A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco, Garment Carriers, Inc., and A & B Transportation Services, Inc. and the issuance of an in-lieu certificate in appendix form to A & B Transportation Services, Inc., a California corporation. The new certificate will not broaden or change the interstate or foreign commerce rights held by the carriers.

A & B Transportation Services, Inc. is placed on notice that operating rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, such rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business. This monopoly feature may be modified or cancelled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

# <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Garment Carriers, Inc., a California corporation, and A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco, a California corporation, may merge into and transfer the operative rights referred to in the application to A & B Transportation Services, Inc., a California corporation. This authorization shall expire if not exercised by February 15, 1979, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.

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2. Within thirty days after the merger, A & B Transportation Services, Inc. shall file with the Commission written acceptance of the certificate and written notice that the merger agreement has been consummated.

3. A & B Transportation Services, Inc. shall file tariffs with the Commission naming rates and rules on the same level as heretofore governing the operations merged. The tariff filings shall 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 the public, and the effective date of the tariff filings shall be concurrent with the merger. The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order 80-Series. Failure to comply with the provisions of General Order 80-Series may result in the cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

4. In the event the merger authorized in paragraph 1 is completed, effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 3, a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to A & B Transportation Services, Inc., a California corporation, authorizing it to operate as a highway common carrier, as defined in Section 213 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. The certificates of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision 61999 as amended, Decision 62337 as amended, and Decision 82032, are revoked effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 3.

6. A & B Transportation Services, Inc. shall comply with the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order 100-Series.

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7. A & B Transportation Services, Inc. shall maintain its accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before April 30 of each year, an annual report of its operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

8. A & B Transportation Services, Inc. shall comply with the requirements of the Commission's General Order 84-Series for the transportation of collect on delivery shipments. If A & B Transportation Services, Inc. elects not to transport collect on delivery shipments, it shall make the appropriate tariff filings as required by the General Order.

9. The applicants are granted a deviation from the provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure which require wide dissemination of the application.

The effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>1404</u> day of <u>SEPTEMRER</u>, 1978.

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Commissionor Robert Entinovich, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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A & B Transportation Services, Inc., by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to conduct operations as a highway common carrier as defined in Section 213 of the Public Utilities Code for the transportation of the following:

I. Garments, clothing and wearing apparel when transported on garment hangers, matching accessories and other commodities incidental thereto, including costume or novelty jewelry, when shipped in van-type trucks in company with garments, clothing and wearing apparel on hangers.

Between all points and places within the Los Angeles Basin Area described in Note A, attached hereto and made a part hereof:

II. Hanging or cartoned garments, clothing and wearing apparel and component parts used in the manufacture thereof, as defined in Note B hereof, handbags and costume jewelry:

Between all points and places within the following described territory, or within 25 statute miles of any point therein:

Beginning at Mussel Point on Bodega Head following an imag-inary line drawn northeasterly to the City of Marysville, thence southerly along State Highway 70 and continuing on State Highway 99 to its junction with State Highway 198; easterly on State Highway 198 to the junction of State Highway 65; southerly on State Highway 65 and continuing on State Highway 99, thence Interstate Highway 5 to the prolongation of the corporate boundary of the City of San Fernando; westerly and northerly along said prolongation and the corporate boundary of the City of San Fernando to Maclay Avenue; northeasterly along Maclay Avenue and its prolongation to the Angeles National Forest Boundary; southeasterly and easterly along the Angeles National Forest and San Bernardino National Forest Boundary to Mill Creek Road (State Highway 38); westerly along Mill Creek Road to Bryant Street; southerly along Bryant Street and its prolongation to Interstate Highway 10; southerly and easterly along Interstate Highway 10 to the City of Indio; thence following an

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imaginary line southwesterly to San Ysidro; thence westerly along the International Boundary Line to the Pacific Ocean; thence northerly along the shoreline of the Pacific Ocean to the point of beginning.

Service under Paragraph II shall be restricted against transportation of shipments of wearing apparel on hangers, between the City of Los Angeles, on the one hand, and points in San Diego County, on the other hand.

III.

Α. Apparel, wearing Bags, cloth Bags, hand Bath robes Belts Blouses Buttons Cloth Cloth, piece goods Clothing Clothing accessories Containers, clothes Draperies Dry goods Fittings, tailored Footwear Furnishings, men's Garments

Gloves Hangers, clothes Hosiery Jewelry, costume Lining, clothes Luggage Patterns Shirts Shoes Suspenders Tapes, cloth Textiles Thread Ties Towels. Trimmings, tailored Umbrellas Yarns

B. General Commodities not named above when transported:

- To or from retailers of garments, not including retailers which sell garments incidentally, such as (but not limited to) hardware stores, drug stores, grocery stores; and,
- b. Between retailers of the commodities specifically named in Paragraph III-A above, wholesalers of the commodities specifically named in Paragraph III-A above, and manufacturers of the commodities specifically named in Paragraph III-A above; and

c. To or from fashion shows.

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- 1. Between all points and places within San Francisco Territory as described in Note C below and within five statute miles of the boundary thereof.
- 2. Between all points and places on and within five statute miles laterally of the following highways:
  - a. U.S. Highway 101 between San Francisco and Santa Rosa, inclusive;
  - b. State Highway 37 between Ignacio Junction and Napa, inclusive, including the offroute point of Sonoma;
  - c. Interstate Highway 80 between San Francisco and North Sacramento, inclusive;
  - d. State Highway 29 between the junction of said highway with Interstate Highway 80 and Napa, inclusive;
  - e. Between San Francisco and Sacramento, inclusive, via Interstate Highway 80, Interstate Highway 580, Interstate Highway 205, and Interstate Highway 5, including the off-route point of Pleasanton.
  - f. State Highway 4 between the junction of said highway with Interstate Highway 80 and Stockton, inclusive, including the off-route points of Port Chicago and Byron;
  - g. State Highway 24 between Oakland and its junction with State Highway 4 near Concord, thence via State Highway 4 to Pittsburg, inclusive, including the off-route point of Moraga;
  - h. Interstate Highway 680 between Warm Springs and Martinez, inclusive;
  - i. State Highway 99 between Stockton and Modesto, inclusive;

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- j. State Highway 33 between the junctions of said highway with Interstate Highway 5 near Tracy and State Highway 132 near Vernalis, inclusive; and
- k. State Highway 132 between the junction of said highway with State Highway 33 near Vernalis and Modesto, inclusive.
- 3. Between all points and places within 10 statute miles of the City of Sacramento.
- 4. Between all points and places within 10 statute miles of the City of Stockton.
- 5. Between all points and places within 5 statute miles of the City of Santa Rosa.
- 6. Except that pursuant to the authority herein granted, carrier shall not transport any shipments of:
  - a. Used household goods, personal effects and office, store and institution furniture, fixtures and equipment not packed in salesmen's hand sample cases, suitcases, overnight or boston bags, brief cases, hat boxes, valises, traveling bags, trunks, lift vans, barrels, boxes, cartons, crates, cases, baskets, pails, kits, tubs, drums, bags (jute, cotton, burlap or gunny) or bundles (completely wrapped in jute, cotton, burlap, gunny, fibreboard, or straw matting).
  - b. Automobiles, trucks and buses, viz.: new and used, finished or unfinished passenger automobiles (including jeeps), ambulances, hearses and taxis, freight automobiles, automobile chassis, trucks, truck chassis, truck trailers, trucks and trailers combined, buses and bus chassis.

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- c. Livestock, viz.: barrows, boars, bulls, butcher hogs, calves, cattle, cows, dairy cattle, ewes, feeder pigs, gilts, goats, heifers, hogs, kids, lambs, oxen, pigs, rams (bucks), sheep, sheep camp outfits, sows, steers, stags, swine or wethers.
- d. Liquids, compressed gases, commodities in semiplastic form and commodities in suspension in liquids in bulk, in tank trucks, tank trailers, tank semitrailers or a combination of such highway vehicles.
- e. Commodities when transported in bulk in dump-type trucks or trailers or in hopper-type trucks or trailers.
- f. Commodities when transported in motor vehicles equipped for mechanical mixing in transit.
- g. Portland or similar cements, in bulk or packages, when loaded substantially to capacity of motor vehicle.
- h. Trailer coaches and campers, including integral parts and contents when the contents are within the trailer coach or camper.
- IV. In performing the service herein authorized, carrier may make use of any and all streets, roads, highways and bridges necessary or convenient for the performance of said service.
  - B. Service under Paragraphs I, II and III above shall be restricted against the transportation of fur, fur garments or fur wearing apparel, but not including imitation furs, imitation fur garments or wearing apparel or fur-trimmed cloth garments or wearing apparel.
  - C. Service under Paragraph III shall be restricted against transportation of property sold by a retail merchant from said retail merchant's store or warehouse to the purchaser thereof.

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NOTE A

#### LOS ANGELES BASIN AREA

LOS ANGELES BASIN AREA includes all points within the following boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of the westerly boundary of the City of Los Angeles and the Pacific Ocean, thence along the westerly and northerly boundaries of said City to its point of first intersection with the southerly boundary of Angeles National Forest, thence along the southerly boundary of Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests to the point of intersection of said southern boundary of the San Bernardino National Forest and the San Bernardino-Riverside County Line, thence in a southerly and westerly direction along said County boundary to a point thereon distant 5 statute miles east of the intersection of said County boundary and State Highway 91, thence generally southerly and southwesterly along a line generally paralleling and distant 5 statute miles from State Highway 91, State Highway 55, Interstate Highway 5, Laguna Canyon Road, and the prolongation thereof to the Pacific Ocean, thence along the coastline of the Pacific Ocean to the point of beginning.

NOTE B

#### PARAGRAPH II COMMODITIES

Aprons -Bathrobes Bathing suits Bed jackets Belts Blouses Boleros Brassieres Breeches Buckles, loops and slides Buttons Button blanks Caps Capes

Cloaks Coats Costumes Coveralls Designs Dickies Dresses Dungarees Elastics Embroidery Evening gowns Eyelets and eyelet hooks Fasteners, slide and snap Fur

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Fur coats Fur goods Furs Gloves Gowns Guimpes Gym pants Gym suits Hampers Handkerchiefs Hats Hangers, garment Hooks and eyes Hoovers Hose supporters Hosiery Housecoats House dresses Jackets Jerkins Jodphurs – Jumpers Laces Leggings Lingerie Lumber jackets Maternity dresses Measuring devices, tailoring Mittens Neckwear Needles Negligees Nightgowns Overalls Overcoats Outer water repellent garments Pajamas Pants Party dresses Patterns Pedal pushers

Piece goods, cut and uncut Pinafores Pins. Petticoats Play suits Polo shirts Racks Rainwear Riding breeches Robes Rompers Sarongs Shirts Shoes Shorts Ski pants Skirts Slacks Slack sets Slips Slipover sweaters Smocks Snow suits Sport jackets Sport shirts Sweaters Suits Sun suits Suspenders Thimbles Thread Ties Topcoats Trousers Trunks Underwear Vestees Vests Water repellent garments Wraps Zippers

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NOTE C

#### SAN FRANCISCO TERRITORY

San Francisco Territory includes all the City of San Jose and that area embraced by the following boundary: Beginning at the point the San Francisco-San Mateo County Line meets the Pacific Ocean; thence easterly along said County Line to a point one mile west of State Highway 82; southerly along an imaginary line one mile west of and paralleling State Highway 82 to its intersection with Southern Pacific Company right-of-way at Arastradero Road; southeasterly along the Southern Pacific Company right-of-way to Pollard Road, including industries served by the Southern Pacific Company spur line extending approximately two miles southwest from Simla to Permanente; easterly along Pollard Road to W. Parr Avenue; easterly along W. Parr Avenue to Capri Drive; southerly along Capri Drive to Division Street; easterly along Division Street to the Southern Pacific Company right-of-way; southerly along the Southern Pacific Company right-of-way to the Campbell-Los Gatos City Limits; easterly along said limits and the prolongation thereof to South Bascom Avenue (formerly San Jose-Los Gatos Road); northeasterly along South Bascom Avenue to Foxworthy Avenue; easterly along Foxworthy Avenue to Almaden Road; southerly along Almaden Road to Hillsdale Avenue; easterly along Hillsdale Avenue to State Highway 82; northwesterly along State Highway 82 to Tully Road; northeasterly along Tully Road and the prolongation thereof to White Road; northwesterly along White Road to McKee Road; southwesterly along McKee Road to Capitol Avenue; northwesterly along Capitol Avenue to State Highway 238 (Oakland Road); northerly along State Highway 238 to Warm Springs; northerly along State Highway 238 (Mission Blvd.) via Mission San Jose and Niles to Hayward; northerly along Foothill Blvd. and MacArthur Blvd. to Seminary Avenue; easterly along Seminary Avenue to Mountain Blvd.; northerly along Mountain Blvd. to Warren Blvd. (State Highway 13); northerly along Warren Blvd. to Broadway Terrace; westerly along Broadway Terrace to College Avenue; northerly along College Avenue to Dwight Way; easterly along Dwight Way to the Berkeley-Oakland Boundary Line; northerly along said boundary line to the campus boundary of the University of California; westerly, northerly and easterly along the campus boundary to Euclid Avenue; northerly along Euclid Avenue to Marin Avenue; westerly along Marin Avenue to Arlington Avenue; northerly along Arlington Avenue to San Pablo Avenue (State Highway 123); northerly along San Pablo Avenue to and including the City of Richmond to Point Richmond; southerly along an imaginary line from Point Richmond to the San Francisco waterfront at the foot of Market Street; westerly along said waterfront and shoreline to the Pacific Ocean; southerly along the shoreline of the Pacific Ocean to point of beginning.

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