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Decision No. 90086 MAR 13 1979

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
 of AIR PACIFIC, INCORPORATED, for a)
 Certificate of Public Convenience)
 and Necessity to Provide Passenger)
 Air Carrier Service to and from)
 Redding and San Francisco and)
 Chico and San Francisco.)

Application No. 58577
 (Filed January 4, 1979)

APPLICATION OF WESTAIR COMMUTER)
 AIRLINES, INC., AND H. & H. AIR)
 SERVICE, INC., DBA GOLDEN EAGLE)
 AIRLINES FOR APPROVAL OF TRANSFER)
 OF CERTIFICATE AND CONSOLIDATION.)

Application No. 58532
 (Filed December 15, 1978)

ORDER CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF AUTHORITY
 TO INITIATE CHICO - SFO NONSTOP AIR SERVICE

Presently, Hughes Airwest, Westair (d.b.a. Golden Eagle) and Air Pacific provide air passenger service between Chico and San Francisco. Both Westair and Air Pacific provide one-stop service to San Francisco via Sacramento. Airwest provides the only nonstop service between Chico and San Francisco.

On March 15, 1979 Airwest will revise its schedule by eliminating all morning and evening flights between Chico and San Francisco. Instead they will offer flights (Chico to San Francisco) at 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. daily and San Francisco to Chico at 12:25 and 3:18 p.m. daily. The revised schedule will leave the Chico community without morning or evening nonstop service to San Francisco.

The City of Chico, in a telegram to the Commission dated February 22, 1979, stated that the revised schedule will leave its business community and other commuters without reasonable service to San Francisco and connecting points. The City of Chico requested that the Commission authorize additional service under any emergency provisions available.

On February 27, 1979, Air Pacific in Decision No. 90015 and Westair Commuter Airlines in Decision No. 90013, were granted additional authority which included provisions to provide nonstop service between Chico and San Francisco. However, these decisions do not become effective until March 29, 1979. Therefore, there will be a 14-day period when nonstop morning or evening service is not offered between Chico and San Francisco.

The Commission has determined that an absence of morning or evening nonstop service between Chico and San Francisco for this duration would impose an undue burden upon these communities and that there is an immediate need for this service. Therefore, the Commission concludes that the effective date of Decisions Nos. 90015 and 90013 should be changed as they pertain to nonstop Chico to SFO service.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Chico-San Francisco nonstop authority granted in Decisions Nos. 90015 and 90013, may begin on March 15, 1979.
2. The effective date of any revised tariff filings for the Chico-San Francisco nonstop service shall be concurrent with the authorized service.

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The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 19th day of MARCH, 1979.

John E. Burns
PRESIDENT

Hermon L. Steeger

Richard D. Havelle

Clair T. Delrich

Samuel C. Pinsky
COMMISSIONERS