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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION OF DANIEL F. STUART,)
 an individual, doing business as)
 FLEETWOOD LIMOUSINE SERVICE, for)
 authority to adjust his rates.)

Application No. 58727
 (Filed March 7, 1979;
 amended April 26, 1979)

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a passenger stage corporation (PSC-1004) operating between San Diego International Airport (Lindberg Field), on the one hand, and various communities in San Diego County on the other hand. Fleetwood Limousine Service (Fleetwood) provides luxury-type airport limousine transportation on an on-call basis. Fleetwood is also authorized to conduct charter-party operations, pursuant to a charter permit (TCP-603P). The present fares were established by Decision 86120 dated July 19, 1976, Decision 88355 dated January 17, 1978 and Decision 89741 dated December 12, 1978.

By amendment filed April 26, 1979, applicant requested authority to increase all passenger stage fares as follows:

<u>Between Lindberg Field and</u>	<u>Present Fare</u>	<u>Proposed Fare</u>
Escondido	\$ 11.00	\$ 13.00
Vista	12.00	14.00
Fallbrook	16.00	18.00
San Marcos	12.00	14.00
Lake San Marcos	12.00	14.00
Penasquitos	8.00	10.00
Poway	8.00	10.00
Rancho Santa Fe	10.00	12.00
Rancho Bernardo Service Territory	9.00	11.00
Miramar	6.00	8.00
Oceanside	13.00	14.00
Carlsbad	12.00	13.00
Leucadia	11.00	12.00
Encinitas	10.00	11.00
Cardiff-By-The Sea	10.00	11.00
Solana Beach	9.00	10.00
Del Mar	8.00	9.00
Scripps Miramar Ranch	8.00	9.00

In support of his request for a fare increase, applicant alleges that he is losing money now at the present rates because wage, tires, maintenance, insurance and gasoline costs continue to rise.

A summary of the applicant's historical year 1978 results of operations from the annual report are as follows:

Revenues	\$151,747
Expenses	\$150,313
Other income deductions	\$ 4,010
Income before taxes	\$ -2,576
Operating ratio	101.70%

The applicant is presently operating at a loss. The increase authorized herein is necessary to ensure the continued viability of the transportation service and will compensate the rising costs of gasoline and other expenses during 1979. Thus, the increase is excepted from the President's guidelines for wage and price increases.

Copies of this application were served on interested parties and the application was listed in the Commission's Daily Calendars on March 9, 1979 and April 27, 1979. Additionally, the Commission staff notified affected public transit operators and planning agencies of the filing of this application, pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 730.3 and 730.5. No protests or comments have been received.

F I N D I N G S

After consideration, the Commission finds that:

1. The requested fare increase, as amended, will result in additional annual revenue of \$12,000.
2. Since the applicant's fares were established it has experienced increases in operating expenses, the most significant being gasoline.
3. The proposed fares set forth in the amended application are justified.

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4. A public hearing is not necessary.

The Commission concludes that the application, as amended, shall be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Daniel F. Stuart, an individual, doing business as Fleetwood Limousine Service, is authorized to establish the increased fares as set forth in the amended application. 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. This 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 operating vehicles 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 the applicant will continue to operate at a substantial loss even after a fare increase, the effective date of this order is the date hereof. ✓

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of JUNE, 1979.

John E. Burton
President

Vernon L. Sturgeon

Richard D. Howell

Clifford J. ...

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Commissioners