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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) GOLDEN STATE LIMOUSINE, INC.) for authority to increase its) passenger stage corporation fares,) pursuant to Section 454 of the) Public Utilities Code. /

Decision No. 90808

Application No. 59011 (Filed July 23, 1979)

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

By the above Application, Colden State Limousine, Inc., (PSC-978), a California corporation requests authority to increase fares for passenger stage service between points in the Counties of Alameda, San Mateo and Santa Clara, on the one hand and San Francisco International Airport, Oakland International Airport and San Jose Municipal Airport on the other hand, by approximately 15 percent.

The authority for this operation was first granted to John R. Zavaleta dba Tri-Terminal Limousine Service by Decision 81684 dated July 31, 1973. This operating authority was transferred to Airline Limousine Service Inc. dba Peninsula Limousine Service by Decision 85255 dated December 16,1975. The authority was then transferred to Golden State Limousine, Inc. by Decision 90233 dated April 24, 1979.

The current fares were authorized by Decision 90237 dated April 24, 1979 in Application 58663.

By data included in the Application, applicant shows for the projected rate year 1979 that it would have an operating ratio of 111.4 and at the fares requested the operating ratio will be 96.8 percent.

Notice of the filing of this Application was listed in the Commission's Daily Calendar on July 25, 1979. Additionally, the Commission staff notified the effected public transit operators and planning agencies of the receipt of this Application, pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Sections 730.3 and 730.5.

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The Cities and Counties effected by the Application have been notified. No protest to the Application has been received.

The applicant is presently operating at a loss. The fare increase authorized herein is an exception to the President's Guidelines for Wage and Price increases. The proposed fares reflect an operating ratio of 96.8 percent and are justifiable in light of the guidelines and necessary to ensure the continued viability of this transportation service.

After consideration, the Commission finds the requested increases are justified and that a public hearing is not necessary. It is estimated that the granting of the fare increase will result in approximately \$51,448 additional revenue in the annualized rate relief, and the effective date should be the date hereof.

<u>order</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Golden State Limousine, Inc., (PSC-978) is authorized to establish the increased passenger stage fares as requested in its application filed July 23, 1979. Tariff publications authorized to be made effective as a result of this order shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and 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 its operating vehicles a printed explanation of its 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.

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