Decision No. 91440 MAR 18 1980

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of John C. Williams, Jr., and Roni L. Williams for a class "B" permit, charter-party carrier of passengers, to operate an "on-call" service in Fort Bragg and 40 air miles along Highway 1- (TCP-27-B)

Application No. 59179 (Filed October 4, 1979)

## OPINION.

Applicants are operating under a Class B charter-party certificate which was issued on June 29, 1979. The certificate has a 16-mile pickup zone and restricts operation to within 300 air miles of Fort Bragg, California. Applicants have applied to extend their pickup zone to 40 air miles from Fort Bragg and to provide service throughout the State of California. Most other Class B certificate holders already have the authority applied for herein.

Applicants also operate as a passenger stage corporation between Fort Bragg and Willits on an on-call basis (Decision No. 85229, dated December 9, 1975, in Application No. 55803), and between Fort Bragg, on the one hand, and Harrah's, South Lake Tahoe; Oakland Coliseum, Oakland; Cow Palace, Daly City; Marine World, San Carlos; and Marriott's Great America, Santa Clara; on the other hand, (Decision No. 87059, dated August 26, 1976, in Application No. 56713).

Applicants' financial statement dated June 31, 1979, lists assets of \$95,176.11 and liabilities of \$52,788.60. Applicants have a 1958 (4104) GMC, 41-passenger bus. Evidence of insurance coverage

A-59179 is on file with the Commission. Applicants request authorization to pick up residents on the Mendocino coast, since there have been requests for this service. Findings of Fact Applicants have the ability, experience, equipment, and financial resources to perform the proposed service. 2. Public convenience and necessity require that the service proposed by applicants be established. 3. Applicants should be authorized to pick up passengers within a radius of 40 air miles from their home terminal at 222 East Redwood Avenue, Fort Bragg, California. 4. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. 5. This application was duly noticed and no protests have been received. Conclusion of Law The Commission concludes that the proposed authority should be issued as provided in the following order. <u>ORDER</u> IT IS ORDERED that: 1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity, to be renewed each year, is granted to John C. Williams, Jr., and Roni L. Williams, authorizing them to operate as a Class B charter-party carrier of passengers, as defined in Section 5383 of the Public Utilities Code, from a service area encompassing a radius of 40 air miles from applicants' home terminal at 222 East Redwood Avenue, Fort Bragg, California. 2. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicants shall comply with and observe the following service -2regulation. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

Applicants will be required, among other things, to comply with and observe the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-Series, and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 115-Series.

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

Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ MAR 18 1980 , at San Francisco, California.

Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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