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Decision No. 91463

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of AMERICAN CAMPING)
 TOURS, INC., a California Corpora-)
 tion, to modify and extend existing)
 routes of a motor vehicle camping)
 tour service from San Francisco.)

Application No. 58983
 (Filed July 6, 1979)
 (Amended September 14, 1979)

O P I N I O N

By Decision 88887 dated May 31, 1978 in Application 57843, American Camping Tours, Inc. was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (PSC-1038) to establish a passenger stage corporation for the operation of a motor vehicle camping tour service for the transportation of passengers and their baggage between San Francisco International Airport and various campsites in California.

By this application, American Camping Tours, Inc. seeks to extend its authority to operate nine additional tours. In addition, applicant seeks to increase its San Francisco pick-up points to include hotels in an area bounded by Divisadero Street on the west, 16th Street on the south, and San Francisco Bay on the north and east and the Daly City and Embarcadero BART Stations. Also, applicant requests authority to modify the restriction in ^{his} certificate which requires that all service be provided by customized motorhomes to allow 15 passenger vans to be used as an option instead of the motorhome to provide the service. The van camping service would be available at considerably less cost. Km
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To applicant's knowledge, no one is operating the proposed service.

Applicant proposes to charge the following fares:

<u>Route No.</u>	<u>Motor Home Service</u>	<u>Van Service</u>
1	\$1,020	\$530
2	665	375
3	945	495
4	1,090	555
5	355	175
6	455	235
7	570	280
8	525	270
9	595	305
10	195	105
11	220	145
12	275	145
13	205	110
14	205	110
15	375	195
16	220	115
17	375	195
18	455	235

Applicant states that shorter tours would allow foreign visitors to experience a camping tour without committing themselves to spending their entire vacation camping. By offering van camping, applicant will be able to operate a full range of services.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 11, 1979. An amendment was filed on September 14, 1979 to clarify and define the boundary area for hotel and motel pickups and to request a pick-up point at the Embarcadero BART Station.

The Commission's Transportation Division staff has reviewed the application and recommends that in the absence of protest or requests for public hearing it be granted. No protest has been received.

After consideration, the Commission finds that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to extend his operations as a passenger stage corporation should be granted to the applicant to the extent set forth in the ensuing order. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project involved in this proceeding may have a significant effect on the environment.

Applicant is placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized nor used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the granting 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.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

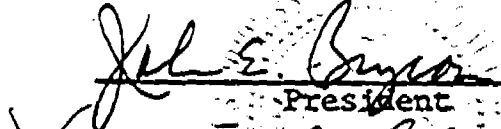
1. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is granted to American Camping Tours, Inc., authorizing it to extend its operation as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, between the San Francisco International Airport, on the one hand and various California campsites and the Los Angeles International Airport, on the other hand.
2. Appendix A of Decision 88887 in Application 57843 is amended by incorporating First Revised Page 2 in revision of Original Page 2, and Original Pages 2A, ~~5~~, 6, 7 and 8, attached hereto. KA
3. In providing service pursuant to the authority granted by this order, applicant shall comply with the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the authority.
 - (a) Within thirty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate granted. Applicant is placed on notice that if it accepts the certificate it will be required, among other things, to comply with the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order 98-Series and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order 101-Series.

- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall establish the authorized service and file tariffs and timetables in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff and timetable 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 and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the authorized service.
- (d) The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filings of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders 79-Series and 98-Series.
- (e) Applicant 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 March 31 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.

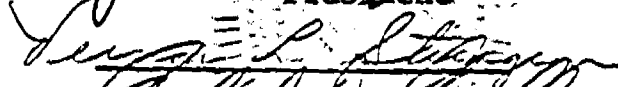
The effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated MAR 18 1980, at San Francisco, California.

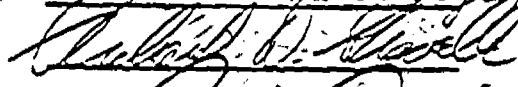
Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.



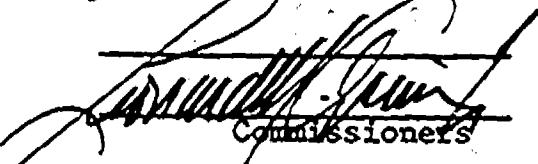
President



James L. Thompson



Robert D. Howell



Commissioners

SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

American Camping Tours, Inc., a corporation, by the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by the decision in the margin, is authorized to transport passengers and their baggage between the San Francisco International Airport, *certain hotels in San Francisco and the Embarcadero and Daly City BART Stations, on the one hand, and various California campsites and the Los Angeles International Airport, on the other hand, over and along the routes hereinafter described, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify said routes at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- (a) All tours shall commence at the San Francisco International Airport and terminate at either the San Francisco International Airport or the Los Angeles International Airport.
- (b) The term "on-call" as used herein refers to service which is authorized to be rendered dependent on the demands of passengers. The tariffs and timetables shall show the conditions under which each authorized "on-call" service will be rendered.
- (c) All sightseeing tours shall be for the complete trip as hereinafter described.
- (d) Vehicles on sightseeing tours may divert from the numbered and named roads and highways identified in those route descriptions.
- (e) Only customized motorhomes *or vans with under 15 passengers seating capacity may be utilized to provide the transportation.
- * (f) Optional pick ups may be made at the Embarcadero or Daly City BART Stations and hotels and motels in an area bounded by Divisadero St. on the west, 17th St., on the south, San Francisco Bay on the north and east.

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*Amended by Decision No. 91463, Application No. 58983. *Km*

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- *(g) As used herein, the term "hotel" shall be defined as any building containing 20 or more guest rooms designed or intended to be rented or hired-out for sleeping purposes to transient guests. The term "hotel" shall not include hospitals, institutions where housing is under legal restraint or apartment houses where occupants occupy the premises upon a leased or month-to-month rental basis.

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Appendix A

AMERICAN CAMPING
TOURS, INC.
(PSC-1038)

SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS.

Route 1 - California Tour-San Francisco Round Trip

Service shall commence at the San Francisco International Airport, then north on SR 101* to San Francisco north on SR 101 to Samuel P. Taylor State Park, north on SR 1 to Van Damme State Park, north on SR 1 and 101 to Patricks Point State Park, optional stop at Fort Bragg, north on SR 101 to Redwood National Park, south on SR 96 to Hoopa Indian Reservation, east on SR 299, north on I-5 at Redding to SR 89, east to MacArthur-Burney Falls State Park, south on SR 89 to Plumas Eureka State Park and Lassen National Park, south on SR 89 to South Lake Tahoe to Richardson Bay campground, west on SR 50 to SR 49, south on SR 49 to Columbia State Park, south on SR 49 to SR 120, east on SR 120 to Yosemite National Park, south on SR 41 to Fresno, east on SR 180 to Sequoia National Park, west on SR 180, north on SR 99, west on SR 152, south on SR 156 via San Juan Bautista, north on SR 1 to New Brighton Beach State Park, south on SR 1 to Monterey, Carmel, Point Lobos, north on SR 101 to Great America, in Sunnyvale, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, south on SR 101 to San Francisco International Airport.

Route 2 - Golden Week Tour-San Francisco to Los Angeles

Service shall commence at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, east on I-80 to SR 24, east on SR 24 to Walnut Creek, south on I-680 to I-580, east on I-580 to I-205, south to SR 120, east on SR 120 to Yosemite National Park, west on SR 140 to SR 33, south on SR 33 to SR 156 via San Juan Bautista, west on SR 129 to SR 1, north on SR 1 to New Brighton Beach State Park, south on SR 1 to Hearst-San Simeon State Park, south on SR 1 to Morro Bay State Park, south on SR 101 to Santa Maria, south on SR 1 and County Route 520 to Vandenberg Air Force Base and Lompoc, east on SR 246 to La Purisima State Historic Park, east on SR 246 to Solvang, west on SR 246 to SR 101, south on SR 101 to Refugio State Beach south on SR 101 to Santa Barbara, south on SR 101 to Malibu, south on SR 101 to I-5, south on I-5 to Disneyland, south on I-5 to Disneyland, south on I-5 to Doheny State Beach, south on I-5 to San Diego, north on I-5 to Doheny State Beach, north on I-5 to I-405, north on I-405 to the Los Angeles International Airport. Km

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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)

Route 10 - 3-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, north on SR 101 to Sir Francis Drake Blvd., west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. to Samuel P. Taylor State Park, west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. to SR 1, with optional stops at Point Reyes National Seashore and Stinson Beach, north on SR 1 to SR 128, east on SR 128 to Hendy Woods State Park, east on SR 128 to SR 101, south on SR 101 to the San Francisco International Airport.

Route 11 - 3-Day Tour

International *Ka*
Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, east on I-80 to I-580, east on I-580 to I-205, east on I-205 to SR 120, east on SR 120 to SR 49, north on SR 49 to Columbia, north on SR 49 to SR 4, east on SR 4 to Calaveras Big Trees State Park, west on SR 4 to SR 49 south on SR 49 to SR 120 west on SR 120 to I-205, west on I-205 to I-580, west on I-580 to I-80, west on I-80 to SR 101, south on SR 101 to the San Francisco International Airport.

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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)

Route 12 - 4-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, *Sir Km*
Francis Drake Blvd., west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. to Samuel P.
Taylor State Park, west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. to SR 1, north
on SR 1 to Van Damme State Park, north on SR 1 to SR 20, east on
SR 20 to SR 101, north on SR 101 to Humboldt Redwood State Park,
south on SR 101 to the San Francisco International Airport.

Route 13 - 3-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport
north on SR 101 to San Francisco, south on SR 1 to New Brighton
State Beach, south on SR 1 to Monterey, Carmel and Pt. Lobos,
north on SR 1 to SR 17, north on SR 17 to SR 101, north on SR 101
to the San Francisco International Airport.

Route 14 - 3-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport,
north on SR 101 to San Francisco, east on I-80 to SR 89, south on
SR 89 to Sugar Pine Point State Park, south on SR 89 to SR 50, west
on SR 50 to I-80, west on I-80 to SR 101, south on SR 101 to the
San Francisco International Airport.

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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)

Route 15 - 5-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, east on I-80 to I-580, east on I-580 to I-205, east on I-205 to SR 120, east on SR 120 to Yosemite National Park, east on SR 140 to SR 59, south on SR 59 to SR 152, west on SR 152 to SR 1, north on SR 1 to Monterey, Carmel, north on SR 1 to SR 17, north on SR 17 to SR 101, north on SR 101 to the San Francisco International Airport.

Route 16 - 3-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to I-80 past on I-80 to I-580, east on I-580 to I-205, east on I-205 to SR 99, south on SR 99 to SR 140, east on SR 140 to Yosemite National Park, return the same route.

Route 17 - 5-Day Tour

Commencing at the San Francisco International Airport, north on SR 101 to San Francisco, south on SR 101 to San Francisco, south on SR 101 to SR 17, south on SR 1 to New Brighton State Beach, south on SR 1 to Monterey, Carmel, south on SR 1 to SR 101, south on SR 101 to Refugio Beach, south on SR 101 to the Los Angeles International Airport.

Route 18 - 6-Day Tour

Same as Route 17 except for extra day at Santa Barbara.

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