

Decision No. 92134 AUG 19 1980

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
of GREAT AMERICAN STAGELINE, INC.
a corporation, for certificate of
public convenience and necessity
to operate passenger and baggage
service between Santa Barbara and
Los Angeles International Airport,
and return.

Application No. 59437
(Filed February 7, 1980)

O P I N I O N

Applicant, Great American Stageline, Inc. (Great American), a California corporation, presently provides airport-access service pursuant to PSC-962, authorized by Decision No. 85784, as amended. Daily scheduled bus service for passengers, baggage, and express is currently provided between Ventura, Oxnard, Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Woodland Hills, and the Westlake Community, on the one hand, and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), on the other hand.

By this application Great American seeks expansion of the above authority to include on-call service between Santa Barbara and LAX. Applicant expects to transport airline personnel, commuters, businessmen, travel-agency customers, and other travelers and, thereby, to relieve the parking demands and traffic congestion at LAX. On-call service will be rendered for a minimum of five adult fares with a requested ten-hour advance notification of requested service. These passengers will be accommodated on two daily round-trip schedules as follows:

Leave Santa Barbara:	Arrive LAX:
4:25 A.M.	7:20 A.M.
5:45 A.M.	8:45 A.M.
Leave LAX:	Arrive Santa Barbara:
9:00 P.M.	11:55 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	2:00 A.M.

A one-way fare of \$18.00 is proposed.

To applicant's knowledge, there are no other ground-transportation services with which it will compete for the LAX-Santa Barbara operations. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of February 8, 1980. The Commission's Transportation Division staff has reviewed the application and recommends that, in the absence of protest or request for public hearing, the application be granted by ex parte order. No protest has been received. ✓

Findings of Fact ✓

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Commission finds as follows:

1. Applicant seeks authority to operate as a passenger stage corporation to transport passengers and baggage between Santa Barbara and the Los Angeles International Airport.
2. There is no other passenger stage corporation presently offering this service.
3. Applicant has the equipment available, expertise and financial resources to institute and maintain the proposed service.
4. The proposed fares appear to be justified.
5. The Commission staff supports the application.
6. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.
7. A public hearing is not necessary.
8. Applicant has demonstrated that public convenience and necessity require granting of the application.

Conclusion of Law

We conclude that a public need exists and that a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a passenger stage corporation should be granted to the applicant to the extent set forth in the ensuing order.

Applicant is placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or 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 canceled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

There appears to be an immediate need for this transportation. The following order, therefore, is effective on the date signed.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The certificate of public convenience and necessity granted to Great American Stageline, Inc. in Appendix A of Decision No. 85784, as amended, is further amended by incorporating Second Revised Page 1, Second Revised Page 2, First Revised Page 3, and Original Page 5, attached hereto, in revision of First Revised Page 1, First Revised Page 2, and Original Page 3.

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and Original Page 3.~~

2. In providing service pursuant to the authority granted by this order, applicant shall comply with the following service regulations. Failure to do so 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 No. 98-Series, and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 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 ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten 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 filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 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.

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The effective date of this order is the date
hereof.

Dated AUG 19 1980, at San Francisco, California. ✓

John E. Byron
President
Thomas L. Sturgeon

Clair T. Deluge
Donald W. Davis
Commissioners

Commissioner Richard D. Gravelle, being
necessarily absent, did not participate
in the disposition of this proceeding.

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*Amended by Decision No. 92134. Application No. 59437.

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

The certificate hereinafter noted supersedes all operative authority heretofore granted to Air Crew Transit, Inc., a corporation, or its predecessors.

Great American Stageline, Inc., by the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized as a passenger stage corporation to transport passengers, baggage and express except as noted in Subparagraph (f), between Ventura, Oxnard, Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Woodland Hills, the Westlake Community, * and Santa Barbara, on the one hand and Los Angeles International Airport main passenger terminal and hangar line area, 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) Motor vehicles may be turned at termini and intermediate points in either direction, at intersections of streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, in accordance with local traffic regulations.
- (b) When route descriptions are given in one direction, they apply to operation in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- (c) Regular route service shall be conducted daily.

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AND SPECIFICATIONS. (Continued)

- (d) Service over Route 1 * and Route 7 may be provided on an "on call" basis.
- (e) The term "on call" as used herein refers to service which is authorized to be rendered dependent upon the demands of passengers. Tariffs and timetables shall show the condition under which each authorized "on call" service will be rendered.
- (f) The transportation of baggage and express shall be on passenger-carrying vehicles and shall be incidental to the transportation of passengers and limited to a weight of not more than one hundred (100) pounds per shipment. No express shipments shall be transported from or to Ventura, Camarillo, Woodland Hills,* or Santa Barbara.

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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS

Route 7 - Santa Barbara - LAX

Commencing in Santa Barbara at the intersection of Carrillo Street and Chapala Street via Chapala Street, Figueroa Street, and State Street to U.S. Highway 101 (Ventura Freeway), then via the most direct and appropriate route to Los Angeles International Airport. Service on this route may be combined with service on other authorized routes.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

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