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Decision No. 92335

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of application of)
G.L. Freed, doing business as)
Calaveras Transit Co.: Authoriza-)
tion for increase in express)
rates and fares.)

Application No. 59698
(Filed May 29, 1980)

O P I N I O N

G. L. Freed, an individual, doing business as Calaveras Transit Co., is operating as a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC-842) between Stockton and Lake Alpine, and in charter service (TCP-1149P).

By this application, G. L. Freed seeks to increase his passenger fares by approximately 28 percent.

The present fares were originally established by Decision No. 90240 in Application 58569 dated April 24, 1979.

Applicant alleges that his present fares do not yield sufficient revenue to cover the expenses of operating this passenger stage service.

Applicant further alleges that additional revenue is required because of increased cost in all phases of operation, including fuel, insurance, labor and maintenance.

The staff of the Transportation Division has made an analysis of the applicant's operations and submitted a report on the estimated results of operations based on the future year ending December 31, 1981, under present and proposed fares, which is summarized as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Present Fares</u>	<u>Proposed Fares</u>
Revenue	\$35,668	\$45,630
Expenses	44,205	44,205
Operating Income	-8,537	1,425
Income Tax	0	300
Net Income	--	1,125
Operating Ratio -%	123	96

The report is hereby received as Exhibit 1. The results of operation show that with the proposed 28% fare increase, the operating ratio of the passenger stage service would be 96% with a net income of \$1,125.

In accordance with Sections 730.3 and 730.5 of the Public Utilities Code, public agencies operating or planning public transit systems were notified and asked for comments regarding the proposed rate increases. No replies were received.

While the fare increase authorized herein is an exception to the President's Guidelines for wage and price increases, the proposed fares are reasonable and necessary to ensure the continued viability of this transportation service.

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 2, 1980. No protests have been received.

Findings of Fact

~~X~~ The requested fare increase approximately 28% would result in an additional annual revenue of \$9,962.

Conclusions of Law

1. The proposed fare increase is justified.
2. A public hearing is unnecessary.
3. Since the carrier is operating at a loss, the effective date of this decision should be the date of signature.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. G. L. Freed, doing business as Calaveras Transit, is authorized to establish the increased fares proposed in Application No. 59698. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order may be not earlier than the effective date of this order and made effective not earlier than on 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.

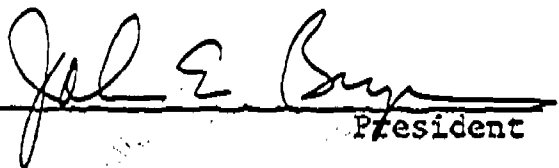
3. In addition to the required posting and filing of tariffs, applicant shall give notice to the public by posting in his buses and terminals, a printed explanation of his fares. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated OCT 22 1980, at San Francisco, California.

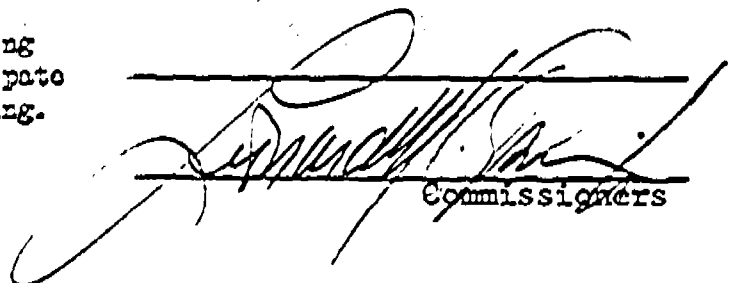
Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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



President





Commissioners

G. L. FREED
DOING BUSINESS AS
CALAVERAS TRANSIT
ESTIMATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR PASSENGER STAGE SERVICE FOR TEST YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1981

Line	Reference	Item No	Account Description	Results of Operations		
				Present Fares	Test Year Ending December 31, 1981	Proposed Fares
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.			Bus Miles	60,037	60,037	60,037
			<u>Revenue</u>			
2.		3200	Passenger	\$10,499	\$10,499	\$11,653
3.		3220	Express	23,708	23,708	32,005
4.		3900	Other	1,461	1,461	1,461
5.	L2+L3+L4		Total Revenue	\$ 35,668	\$ 35,668	\$ 45,630
			<u>Expenses</u>			
6.		4100	Maintenance	2,973	3,270	3,270
7.		4200	Transportation	17,160	18,000	18,000
8.		4300	Station	4,960	5,000	5,000
9.		4400	Traffic	355	390	390
10.		4500	Insurance	3,198	3,261	3,261
11.		4600	Administrative	10,712	10,712	10,712
12.		5000	Depreciation	1,838	1,838	1,838
13.		5200	Operating Taxes & Licenses	1,734	1,734	1,734
14.	L6thruL13		Total Expenses	\$42,930	\$44,205	\$44,205
15.		8000	Income Tax	0	0	300
16.	L5-L14-L15		Net Income	-7,262	-8,537	1,125
17.	(L14-L15)+L5		Operating Ratio %	120	123	96