

Decision 93349 JUL 22 1981

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 STEVE PRINE and GLEN HOLDEN ESRIG, )  
 for certificate of public convenience )  
 and necessity to operate a Passenger )  
 and Express service between Watt )  
 Avenue, Sacramento and American )  
 River Raft Rentals and between )  
 Goethe Park, Sacramento and Sail Bar )  
 Park, Sacramento. )

Application 60561  
(Filed May 19, 1981)

O P I N I O N

This is an application by Steve Prine and Glen Holden Esrig which seeks additional passenger stage operating authority.

Applicants presently hold authority to transport rafters and their rafts between American Raft Rental in Rancho Cordova and specified points adjacent to the American River. This application seeks two additional routes in the area: (a) From La Riviera and Watt Avenues to American River Recreation and (b) from Goethe Park to Sailor Bar Park.

Copies of the application were served on River Rat, Inc., the County of Sacramento, and State of California. There have been no protests.

The verified application states that there is a great amount of traffic congestion on land due to rafting activities on the American River, particularly on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Rafters do not leave the river at the point where they embarked. It is necessary for them to transport themselves and their rafts to the originating point. Without the proposed service, two autos are used, which ties up parking spaces in public parks which would otherwise

be available for persons desiring to use these facilities. The application also avers that there is a great demand for the requested service. Granting the application would result in decreased traffic congestion, lowering of air pollutants, lessening the chance of auto accidents, lessening the hazard of intoxicated drivers using the streets, decreasing the hazards created by transporting rafts on top of autos, and permitting more parking spaces in public parks for picnickers.

Applicants propose to charge their presently authorized rates for the new service.

Findings of Fact

1. A public hearing is not necessary in this matter.
2. Esrig has a net worth of \$33,000 and Prine has a net worth of \$1,015,200. Esrig is experienced in conducting passenger stage operations for rafters. Applicants own a school bus which has the capacity of seating not less than 30 nor more than 72 persons.
3. Applicants have the ability, including financial ability to conduct the proposed operations.
4. Public convenience and necessity require that applicants be granted the additional operating authority.
5. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question will have a significant effect on the environment.
6. Because of the seasonal nature of the operation involved, this decision should become effective on the date of issuance.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

Only the amount paid to the State for operative rights may be used in rate fixing. The State may grant any number of rights and may cancel or modify the monopoly feature of these rights at any time.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Stephen B. Prine and Glen Holden Esrig, authorizing them to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Public Utilities Code § 226, between the points and over the routes set forth in revised Appendix A of Decision 93031.
2. Appendix A of Decision 93031 is amended by replacing Original Pages 2 and 3 with First Revised Pages 2 and 3 (attached).
3. Applicants shall:
  - a. File a written acceptance of this certificate within 30 days after this order is effective.
  - b. Establish the authorized service and file tariffs and timetables within 120 days after this order is effective.
  - c. State in their tariffs and timetables when service will start; allow at least 3 days' notice to the Commission; and make timetables and tariffs effective 3 or more days after this order is effective.
  - d. Comply with General Orders Series 79, 98, 101, and 104, and the California Highway Patrol safety rules.

e. Maintain accounting records in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts.

This order is effective today.

Dated JUL 22 1981, at San Francisco, California.

Jal E. Guyon  
President  
Stephen D. O'Connell  
Leonard W. Finney  
Victor Calvo  
Priscilla C. Hill  
Commissioners

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Appendix A  
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SECTION 2. SERVICE POINTS.

Passengers may be picked up and discharged at the following described points, subject to local traffic regulations:

1. Downstream Pickup Point

Goethe Park in Rancho Cordova.

\*Intersection of Watt Avenue and La Riviera.

2. Upstream Discharge Point

\*American River Recreation at 11257 Bridge Street in Rancho Cordova.

\*Sailor Bar Park.

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Appendix A  
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\*SECTION 3. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS.

Route 1 - Goethe Park to American River Recreation

Beginning at the designated pickup point of Goethe Park, southerly along Rod Beaudry Drive to Folsom Boulevard; then easterly along Folsom Boulevard to Mills Park Drive; then southerly on Mills Park Drive to Highway 50; then easterly on Highway 50 to Sunrise Boulevard; then northerly on Sunrise Boulevard to the American River Recreation.

Route 2 - Goethe Park to Sailor Bar Park

Beginning at the designated pickup point of Goethe Park, southerly along Rod Beaudry Drive to Folsom Boulevard; then easterly along Folsom Boulevard to Hazel Avenue; then northerly along Hazel Avenue to Winding Way; then westerly along Winding Way to Illinois Avenue; then southerly on Illinois Avenue to Sailor Bar Park.

Route 3 - Watt Avenue to American River Recreation

Beginning at the intersection of Watt Avenue and La Riviera, southerly along Watt Avenue to Highway 50; then easterly along Highway 50 to Sunrise Boulevard; then northerly along Sunrise Boulevard to American River Recreation.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

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