

Decision 97-02-034 February 19, 1997

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the matter of application of the Peter Stojka Co., DBA Peter's Airport Shuttle to establish a zone of Rate Freedom (ZORF) for its airport passenger fares between its authorized service areas in San Francisco and Alameda counties, to and from the San Francisco and Oakland Airports.

**ORIGINAL**

Application 96-11-034  
(Filed November 12, 1996)

OPINION

Peter's Airport Shuttle (applicant), a corporation is authorized by Decision (D.) 95-10-036 to operate as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-8146) an on-call service between points in the Counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, and Contra Costa, on the one hand, and San Francisco (SFO), Oakland (OAK), and San Jose (SJC) International Airports, on the other hand.

Applicant requests authority pursuant to Public Utilities (PU) Code § 454.2 to establish Zones of Rate Freedom (ZORFs), between points in the City and County of San Francisco, on the one hand, and SFO and OAK, on the other hand. In applicant's undated letter received by the Rail Safety/Carriers Division (staff) on January 15, it requested the proposed ZORFs initially filed in this application, be amended. The amended ZORFs between the City of San Francisco, on the one hand, and SFO, and OAK, on the other hand, would be between \$10 and \$20 above and below its present fares of \$9 and \$15, respectively. In no event will the applicant provide a fare of \$0 or less. The minimum fares under ZORFs would be \$3.

The staff is of the opinion that the establishment of the proposed ZORFs of \$10 and \$20 are fair and reasonable.

Applicant competes with other passenger stage corporations, taxi cabs, limousines, buses, and automobiles in its service area.

Notice of filing of the application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar on November 26, 1996. No protest has been received. The applicant notified the affected city, SFO, and OAK. The Rail Safety/Carriers Division recommends that the application be granted.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant is authorized to operate as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-8146) an on-call service between points in the Counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, and Contra Costa, on the one hand, and SFO, OAK, and SJC, on the other hand.

2. Applicant requests authority to establish ZORFs between the City of San Francisco, on the one hand, and SFO and OAK, on the other hand, of \$10 and \$20, respectively, above and below its present fares of \$9 and \$15, but not less than the minimum fares of \$3. The ZORFs are fair and reasonable.

3. Applicant competes with passenger stage corporations, taxi cabs, limousines, buses, and automobiles in its operations.

4. No protests to the application have been filed.

Conclusions of Law

1. The application for the ZORFs should be granted.

2. Before applicant changes fares under the ZORFs authorized below, applicant should give this Commission 10 days' notice.

3. The filing of ZORFs fares should be accompanied by a tariff amendment showing between each service point the high and low ends of the ZORFs and the then currently effective fares.

4. In order to make the proposed fare changes available as soon as possible, the following order should be effective on the date of this decision:

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Peter Stojka Co., a corporation, doing business as Peter's Airport Shuttle (applicant), is authorized under Public Utilities (PU) Code § 454.2 to establish Zones of Rate Freedom (ZORFs) fares between the City of San Francisco, on the one hand, and San Francisco and Oakland International Airports, on the other hand, of \$10 and \$20, respectively, below and above its present authorized fares, but not less than the minimum fares of \$3.
2. Applicant shall file a ZORFs tariff in accordance with the application on not less than 10 days' notice to the Commission and to the public and subject to Commission approval. The ZORFs shall expire unless exercised within 60 days after the effective date of this order.
3. Applicant may make changes within the ZORFs by filing amended tariffs on not less than 10 days' notice to the Commission and to the public. The tariff shall include between each service points the authorized maximum and minimum fares and the fare to be charged.
4. In addition to posting and filing tariffs, applicant shall post notices explaining fare changes in its terminals and passenger-carrying vehicles. Such notices shall be posted at least 5 days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for at least 30 days.
5. The application is granted as set forth above.

6. This application is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated February 19, 1997, at San Francisco, California.

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Commissioners