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Decision 97-04-075 April 23, 1997

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of Airport Limousine Service of Balwinder S. Patrola, dba Royal Shuttle for authority to operate as a passenger stage operation between points in Santa Clara, San Mateo, Alameda Counties and San Francisco International, San Jose International and Oakland Airports.

Application 96-11-018
(Filed November 15, 1996;
amended February 3, 1997)

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O P I N I O N

Balwinder S. Patrola (applicant), an individual, requests authority pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 1031, et seq., to establish and operate as a passenger stage corporation to transport passengers and their baggage between points in the Counties of Santa Clara, San Mateo, and Alameda, on the one hand, and San Francisco (SFO), Oakland (OAK), and San Jose (SJC) International Airports, on the other hand.

Applicant is authorized to operate as a charter-party carrier under his TCP-10568 P. The equipment for the proposed service is one seven-passenger van.

Applicant visited the Rail Safety and Carrier's Division (staff) on March 17, 1997. After discussing with the staff concerning his proposed operations, applicant proposed to reduce his service to operate between points in Santa Clara County and SJC. The proposed fares are shown in Exhibit C, attached to the application. The fares are reasonable. The Balance Sheet, attached to the application, labeled as Exhibit D, indicates total assets of \$19,700, total liabilities in the amount of \$1,100 and capital in the amount of \$18,600.

Notice of filing of the application, as amended, appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 19, 1996 and February 4, 1997. No protest has been received. The applicant notified the affected airports, cities and governmental entities. The Rail Safety and Carrier's Division recommends that the application be granted.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant requests authority to establish and operate as a passenger stage corporation an on-call service to transport passengers and their baggage between points in the County of Santa Clara and SJC.
2. Public convenience and necessity require the issuance of a certificate to perform the proposed service.
3. No protests to the application have been filed.
4. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusions of Law

1. A public hearing is not necessary.
2. Public convenience and necessity have been demonstrated and the application should be granted.
3. Since there is no formal objection filed with the Commission to the application, this decision should be effective on the date it is signed.

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 Balwinder S. Patrola (applicant), an individual, authorizing him to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Public Utilities (PU) Code § 226, to transport persons and their baggage, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix PSC-10568 subject to the conditions contained in the following paragraphs.
2. Applicant 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 the tariffs and timetables when service will start; allow at least 10 days' notice to the Commission; and make timetables and tariffs effective 10 or more days after this order is effective.
 - d. Comply with General Orders Series 101, 104, and 158 and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) safety rules.
 - e. Comply with the controlled substance and alcohol testing certification program pursuant to PU Code § 1032.1 and General Order Series 158.
 - f. Maintain accounting records in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts.
 - g. Remit to the Commission the Transportation Reimbursement Fee required by PU § 403 when notified by mail to do so.
 - h. Comply with PU Code §§ 460.7 and 1043, relating to the Workers' Compensation laws of this state.
3. Before beginning service to any airport, applicant shall notify the airport's governing body. Applicant shall not operate into or on airport property unless such operations are also authorized by the airport's governing body.
4. Applicant is authorized to begin operations on the date that the Executive Director mails a notice to applicant that his evidence of insurance is on file with the Commission and that the CHP has approved the use of applicant's vehicles for service.
5. The application is granted as set forth above.
6. This application is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated April 23, 1997, at San Francisco, California.

P. GREGORY CONLON
President
JESSIE J. KNIGHT, JR.
HENRY M. DUQUE
JOSIAH L. NEEPER
RICHARD A. BILAS
Commissioners

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Appendix PSC-10568

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CERTIFICATE

OF

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

AS A PASSENGER STAGE CORPORATION

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Showing passenger stage operative rights, restrictions,
limitations, exceptions, and privileges.

All changes and amendments as authorized by
the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California
will be made as revised pages or added original pages.

Issued under authority of Decision 97-04-075, dated April 23,
1997, of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of
California in Application 96-11-018.

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**SECTION I. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS,
AND SPECIFICATIONS.**

Balwinder S. Patrola, an individual, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport passengers and their baggage on an "on-call" basis, between points and places as described in Section II, and San Jose International Airport (SJC), over and along the route described in Section III, subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify this authority at any time and subject to the following provisions:

- a. When route description is given in one direction, they apply to operation in either direction unless otherwise indicated.
- b. The term "on-call", as used, 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. No passengers shall be transported except those having a point of origin or destination at SJC.
- d. This certificate does not authorize the holder to conduct any operation on the property of or into any airport unless such operation is authorized by the airport authority involved.

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SECTION II. SERVICE AREA.

Points and places in the County of Santa Clara.

SECTION III. ROUTE DESCRIPTION.

Commencing from any point as described in Section II, then over the most convenient streets, expressways, and highways to SJC.

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