

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Transportation Division
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R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION EXTENDING VOLUNTARY SUSPENSION OF VESSEL
COMMON CARRIER MINIMUM SERVICE REQUIREMENT BETWEEN
SAN FRANCISCO AND STOCKTON BY HARBOR CARRIERS, VCC-13.

Harbor Carriers, Inc. was authorized by Decision (D.) 85-08-080 in Application (A.) 85-06-016 to operate as a common carrier for the transportation of persons and their baggage by vessel between San Francisco and Stockton. The voyages were marketed principally as cruises combining various packages including transportation, hotel, some meals, sightseeing and other amenities. Appendix A of D.85-08-080 required that Harbor Carriers, Inc. shall provide at least one trip per week in each direction from April 15 through October 31 of each year.

On September 14, 1988 the Commission adopted Resolution PE-2506, which suspended until April 15, 1989 the requirement that Harbor Carriers, Inc. provide at least one round trip per week in its service between San Francisco and Stockton. The Commission acted at the behest of Edward J. Hegarty, attorney for Harbor Carriers, Inc. On July 25, 1988 he had written to the staff a letter which stated, in part, "Due to scheduling conflicts, a minimal passenger interest, and the narrow channel and river traverses which this service requires, Harbor Carriers, Inc. is temporarily unable to meet the minimum service frequency set forth in this certificate." Some service would still be provided.

On March 10, 1989 Hegarty wrote to Executive Director Victor Weissler to request that the suspension of the minimum service requirement be extended until April 15, 1990. His letter asserts that the conditions which led to the earlier request for suspension still exist. Harbor Carriers, Inc. will continue to provide some service.

Under the circumstances, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity do not require that at the present time Harbor Carriers, Inc. provide at least one round trip per week in its vessel common carrier service between San Francisco and Stockton.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The requirement by its certificate of public convenience and necessity that Harbor Carriers, Inc. provide at least one round trip per week in its service as a vessel common carrier between San Francisco and Stockton is suspended until April 15, 1990.

2. Harbor Carriers, Inc. is directed to file supplements to its tariffs and timetables on file with the Commission reflecting the changes herein authorized.

3. Prior to the resumption of minimal required service, new tariff and timetable supplements shall be filed. The required filings shall be made on not less than ten days' notice to the public and to the Commission.

4. The authority to suspend the minimum service requirement granted herein shall expire on April 15, 1990 or upon earlier resumption of such service, which may be accomplished through compliance with Ordering Paragraph 3 above.

The Executive Director shall mail a copy of this resolution to:

Edward J. Hegarty
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This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on APR 26 1989.
The following Commissioners approved it.

G. MITCHELL WILK
President
FREDERICK R. DUDA
STANLEY W. HULETT
JOHN B. OHANIAN
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Commissioners


Executive Director

