

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution TL-18911
Rail Safety and Carriers Division
November 18, 1999

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION GRANTING VOLUNTARY SUSPENSION OF A PORTION OF THE PASSENGER STAGE CORPORATION CERTIFICATE HELD BY AIRPORTER, INC., DBA: SANTA ROSA AIRPORTER (PSC-9023).

Airporter, Inc., dba Santa Rosa Airporter (Applicant) holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a passenger stage corporation (PSC). The certificate (PSC-9023) authorizes Applicant to conduct scheduled service between Ukiah on the one hand, and San Francisco and Oakland International Airports, on the other hand, with intermediate stops. Applicant has requested voluntary suspension until March 2000 of the portion of its PSC certificate that authorizes service to points north of Santa Rosa. The involved points are Ukiah Airport, Hopland, Cloverdale (Owl Café), Healdsburg (Dry Creek Inn), and Windsor (Raley's Shopping Center). Applicant cited low ridership as the basis for wanting to temporarily discontinue service. Applicant advised that it will conduct a study in March 2000 to examine whether reinstatement of service is feasible.

Most requests for voluntary suspension of a PSC certificate are granted for a period of one year. Pursuant to Applicant's request, we will authorize suspension of service until March 31, 2000. However, we will also authorize the Rail Safety and Carriers Division to extend the voluntary suspension to as long as one year from the date of this resolution should Applicant find that it needs additional time to conduct its study and make a decision on this matter.

Applicant posted notices at the affected stops of its intention to discontinue service. Travel agents in the area were also advised. Notice of the request appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 14, 1999. No protests or comments were received.

This is an uncontested matter in which the resolution grants the relief requested. Accordingly, pursuant to Pub. Util. Code Section 311(g)(2), the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review is being waived.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The authorized service points of Ukiah Airport, Hopland, Cloverdale, Healdsburg and Windsor of the passenger stage corporation certificate (PSC-9023) held by

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Airporter, Inc., dba Santa Rosa Airporter, are suspended on the effective date of this resolution until no later than March 31, 2000.

2. Upon written request of Applicant, the Rail Safety and Carriers Division is authorized to extend the period of voluntary suspension to up to one year from the date of this resolution.
3. Before resuming operations, Applicant shall make written request for reinstatement of the suspended portion of its certificate to the Rail Safety and Carriers Division and comply with General Order 158-A with respect to the filing of tariffs and timetables.
4. Upon Applicant's compliance with Ordering Paragraph 3, the Rail Safety and Carriers Division is authorized to reinstate the suspended portion of certificate PSC-9023.

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

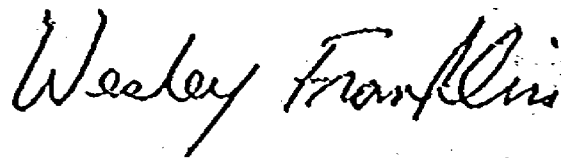
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This resolution is effective today.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed, and adopted by the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 18, 1999. The following Commissioners voted favorably thereon:



WESLEY M. FRANKLIN
Executive Director

RICHARD A. BILAS
President
HENRY M. DUQUE
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