

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 879

IN THE MATTER OF: Served October 11, 1968

Application of D. C. Transit) Application No. 505
System, Inc., for Authority)
to Increase Fares.) Docket No. 186

The Commission has heretofore suspended the tariffs proposed in this proceeding until October 14, 1968, in order to complete its work on the concluding opinion and order. The Commission had expected to issue that order today.

Two important incidents have, however, occurred in the past forty-eight hours which cause the Commission to take pause, in order to consider their relevance and possible effect on its decision.

First, the Congress of the United States has enacted and sent to the President the revision in the school fare subsidy law for which the Commission had so earnestly pressed. Second, judicial pronouncements on several prior fare cases were entered. Those opinions are lengthy and complex, and will require some study before the Commission can determine their effect upon the decision herein.

Accordingly, the Commission is of the opinion that, pursuant to Section 6(a)(2) of the Compact, said tariffs should be further suspended.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the tariffs described in Order No. 854 be, and they are hereby, further suspended until October 28, 1968, unless otherwise ordered.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:



MELVIN E. LEWIS
Executive Director