

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 886

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 26, 1968

Application of W. V. & M. Coach)
Co., Inc., for Authority to)
Increase Fares.)

Application No. 536

Docket No. 192

On October 23, 1968, W. V. & M. Coach Company, Inc., filed certain tariffs setting forth new increased fares, accompanied by the required application and supporting data. The tariffs have a proposed effective date of December 1, 1968. Generally, the tariffs propose a revision in the interstate fare zone boundaries, and an increase of 5¢ in fare; for some passengers, no change in fare is proposed, while the increase is greater for other passengers; the exact description of each change in fare is contained in the tariffs and in the notices posted in all of the applicant's buses.

Five formal protests have been filed in opposition to the fare increase proposal.

The Commission has given consideration to the financial condition and revenue requirements of the company, as revealed from its monthly and other financial reports to the Commission, as well as the data contained in the application. The Commission is of the opinion that the tariffs should be suspended in order that the Commission may give additional and further consideration to these financial areas and to determine whether the proposed fares are just and reasonable. Based on our review of the above factors, the Commission is of the further opinion and finds that the twenty-five (25) day provision of Rule 6 should be shortened, as hereinafter provided.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

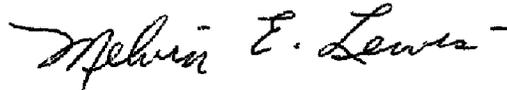
1. That W. V. & M. Coach Company, Inc., WMATC Tariff No. 6, WMATC Tariff No. 35, WMATC Tariff No. 36, and Supplement No. 1 to WMATC Tariff No. 31, be, and they are hereby, suspended, and the use of the fares stated therein be, and they are hereby, deferred, pending investigation and hearing thereon, until February 24, 1969, unless otherwise ordered.

2. That this matter be, and it is hereby, set for hearing on Monday, December 16, 1968, at 10:00 A. M., in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Ninth Floor, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

3. That applicant post notice in its buses advising the public of the time and place of hearing.

4. That the applicant publish notice of the hearing scheduled hereinabove in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, once, at least fifteen (15) days prior to December 16, 1968.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:



MELVIN E. LEWIS
Executive Director