

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 961

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 7, 1969

Application of the Greyhound)
Corporation to Acquire Stock)
Control of Airport Transport,)
Inc.)

Application No. 541

Docket No. 195

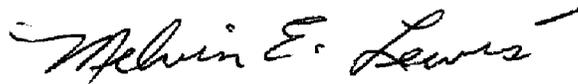
By Application No. 541, dated December 3, 1968, the Greyhound Corporation (Greyhound) applied to this Commission for authority pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 12(a)(2) of the Compact to acquire stock control of Airport Transport, Inc., (ATI) through the purchase of the outstanding capital stock of ATI. D. C. Transit System, Inc., W. V. & M. Coach Company, and the Gray Line protested the granting of the authority sought and White House Sightseeing Corporation intervened in opposition. Hearings were held and briefs were submitted. After careful consideration of all the evidence and arguments submitted, we issued Order No. 951 approving the acquisition.

Today the Gray Line Corporation and D. C. Transit System, Inc., protestants, submitted applications for reconsideration, and Gray Line requested further hearing. We have carefully reviewed the grounds put forward in support of the relief requested and have concluded that the applications should be denied. Further, circumstances require that the denial be issued immediately. The Greyhound Corporation is already operating ATI, providing bus and limousine service to Washington National and Dulles International Airports pursuant to temporary authority granted by this Commission in Order No. 899 (which expired in June 1969) and pursuant to the authority of Order No. 951 in effect since June 4, 1969. Under Title II, Article XII, Section 16 of the Compact, the filing of an application for reconsideration of a Commission order acts as a stay upon the execution of the order until the final action of the Commission

upon the application. In order to avoid any hiatus in the legal authority under which ATI is operated, we will deny the applications today and will publish a discussion of our reasons after we have had sufficient time to commit them to writing.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the applications of the Gray Line Corporation and D. C. Transit System, Inc., be, and they are hereby, denied.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:



MELVIN E. LEWIS
Executive Director

Avery, Chairman, not participating