

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1239

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 13, 1972

Application of WMA Transit )  
Company for Temporary Author- )  
ity to Operate Route T-1 Ex- )  
press. )  
Application No. 794

On September 15, 1972, WMA Transit Company (WMA) filed Application No. 794 for temporary authority to operate Route T-1 between Bowie, Maryland and Washington, D. C.

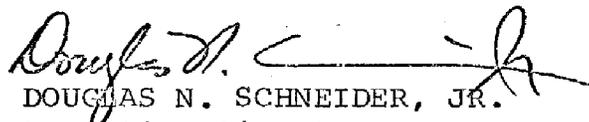
WMA is currently operating two A.M. trips and two P.M. trips providing direct service between the Pointer Ridge section of Bowie, and the Federal Triangle, Farragut Square, and Southwest Mall employment areas of Washington, D. C. under temporary authority granted by Commission Order No. 1210. This route was inaugurated on the basis of detailed area surveys; however, patronage has never attained the levels projected. For this reason, WMA has, by Application No. 794, proposed a new service which is designed to accommodate those patrons using the present service at less cost.

The proposed operation would eliminate direct service to the Southwest Mall, a route change which should improve on-time performance on outbound trips. Few persons, if any, used that portion of the service. Additionally, the inbound service is restructured to eliminate the need for a vehicle and driver by operating the first trip in the morning on the Pointer Ridge to central Bowie portion of the route as a shuttle connecting with a bus on Route T-9 at the Bowie Parking Lot. The second such trip would be a direct trip from Pointer Ridge to downtown Washington. These changes will reduce the costs of operation while continuing to provide for the current need for public transportation evidenced by current ridership.

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, effective October 16, 1972, WMA Transit Company be, and it is hereby, granted one hundred eighty (180) day temporary authority to operate Route T-1 as applied for in Application No. 794.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

  
DOUGLAS N. SCHNEIDER, JR.  
Executive Director