

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1384

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of STEVE NICK PAPPAS )  
for Temporary Authority )

Served November 29, 1974  
Application No. 848  
Docket No. 276

By Application No. 848, filed November 15, 1974, Steve Nick Pappas (Pappas) seeks temporary authority pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3) of the Compact. Pappas proposes to operate a scheduled service over regular routes between Washington National Airport (National) or Dulles International Airport (Dulles) on the one hand, and, on the other, Ramada Inn, Rockville; Washingtonian Inn, Gaithersburg; and Holiday Inn, Gaithersburg. For reasons we will discuss later, we have determined that the application should be scheduled for public hearing.

Pappas' proposed schedule calls for seven trips to and seven trips from National on a daily basis, Monday through Friday. No service is proposed on Saturdays or holidays, Sunday service would consist of four trips in each direction. The fare proposed for service to or from National is \$6 per person.

Service to Dulles is proposed as three trips in each direction Monday through Friday, with no service on Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays. Service to or from Dulles would be \$8 per person.

The service would be provided in three van-type passenger vehicles, each with a seating capacity of twelve persons.

The Commission may grant temporary authority for a carrier to provide a service "for which there is an immediate and urgent need to a point or points or within a territory having no carrier service capable of meeting such need." 1/ In the case of this particular application,

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1/ See Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3).

we are unable to proceed beyond "immediate and urgent need". We have within the application only the assertion that "there is a well established need for this service and there is no carrier providing regularly scheduled service". The fact that a service is not being provided does not, of itself, indicate that it is needed. A well established need does not necessarily equate to an immediate and urgent need.

We feel, however, that this application warrants a public hearing to afford applicant an opportunity to develop this point further and to afford the Commission an opportunity to examine the proposal more fully. Pappas will be required to submit and be prepared to support with competent witnesses the following exhibits:

- (A) A detailed balance sheet of applicant as of the most recent 12-month period available;
- (B) A projected statement of revenues and expenses for a one-year period, together with supporting details, including operating ratio.

Pappas will be directed to submit six (6) copies of the statements and exhibits required hereinbefore to the Commission and to serve one copy on each party of record. Pappas shall be prepared to present evidence with respect to the allegations that there is an immediate and urgent need for the proposed service and that there is no carrier capable of meeting such need.

Applicant will also be required to serve a copy of its application upon Greyhound Airport Service, Inc.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Steve Nick Pappas deposit forthwith a copy of Application No. 848 in the United States mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Greyhound Airport Service, Inc., Washington National Airport, Washington, D. C. 20001.

2. That Application No. 848 of Steve Nick Pappas be, and it is hereby, scheduled for public hearing to commence Tuesday, January 14, 1975, at 10:00 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

3. That six (6) copies, the original to be submitted at the hearing, of the statements and exhibits specified hereinbefore be submitted by Steve Nick Pappas to the Commission and one copy served on each party of record on or before Monday, January 6, 1975.

4. That any person desiring to protest shall file a protest or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall notify the Commission, in writing, on or before Friday, January 3, 1975, and shall mail a copy of such protest or such notice to counsel for applicant, George F. Paxton, Esquire, 4400 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

5. That Steve Nick Pappas be, and he is hereby, directed to deposit the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) in the name and to the credit of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission in the American Security & Trust Company, 1612 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., on or before Tuesday, January 7, 1974, pursuant to the provisions of Title II, Article XII, Section 19(a) of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



HYMAN J. BLOND  
Executive Director

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