

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1939

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served December 12, 1978

Application of BLUE LINES, INC.,)
for Temporary Authority to Conduct)
Charter Operations Pursuant to)
Contract)

Case No. AP-78-48

By application filed November 6, 1978, Blue Lines, Inc., sought temporary authority to conduct charter operations pursuant to contract with the United States Customs Service, transporting passengers between the U. S. Customs Service Academy, 3520 Prospect Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., on the one hand, and, on the other, points in the cities of Alexandria and Falls Church, Va., Arlington County, Va., and that part of Fairfax County, Va., located inside the Capital Beltway.

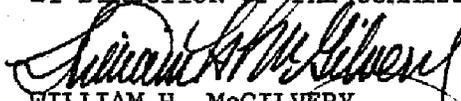
The application indicates that between one and five buses a day will be needed for this operation, but does not specifically list the vehicles to be utilized. A letter submitted as an exhibit with the application, however, raises an inference that school bus vehicles may be used. This letter, dated October 30, 1978, bears a return address and telephone number which our files show belong to Omnibus Corporation, an uncertificated school-bus operator, and the letter is apparently signed by the assistant director of operations for Omnibus Corporation.

This matter was the subject of a telephone conversation between counsel for applicant and the staff of the Commission that resulted in the Commission's General Counsel sending a letter to counsel for Blue Lines, Inc., on November 15, 1978. Said letter notes that certificates of insurance on file for applicant cover only specific vehicles and confirms the Commission's need to be informed as to which buses would be used for the proposed operation. No school buses are covered by applicant's certificates of insurance.

No reply has been received to these requests for additional information. Accordingly, we must conclude that the application has been abandoned.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Case No. AP-78-48 is hereby dismissed for want of prosecution.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director