

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2220

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 28, 1981

Application of TRANSEMANTICS, INC.,)
for Voluntary Revocation of its)
Certificate No. 34)

Case No. AP-81-06

By application filed April 20, 1981, Transemanatics seeks voluntary revocation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 34. ^{1/} In support of its application Transemanatics asserts that transportation is a "relatively minor" aspect of the company's language and communications business, that during the past year transportation activity has been "nil or slight", that to be successful the transportation business would require a "substantially greater investment", and that to continue the present level of transportation activity "is a burden of expense to applicant and does not benefit the public."

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 34 authorizes transportation as follows:

IRREGULAR ROUTES:

- A. CHARTER OPERATIONS, sightseeing or pleasure tours, between points within the Metropolitan District.
- B. SPECIAL OPERATIONS, sightseeing or pleasure tours, between points within the Metropolitan District.

RESTRICTED in A and B above to transportation in vehicles with a designed passenger capacity of not more than 15 passengers excluding the driver.

As here pertinent, the following language is excerpted from the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4:

(g) Certificates shall be effective from date specified therein and shall remain in effect until suspended or terminated as herein provided. Any such certificate, may, upon application of

^{1/} Issued by Order No. 1541, served April 29, 1976, and later amended by Order No. 1825, served March 30, 1978.

the holder thereof, in the discretion of the Commission, be amended or revoked, in whole or in part (Emphasis supplied).

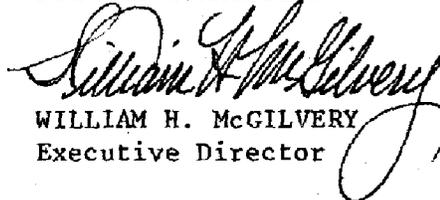
(i) No carrier shall abandon any route specified in a certificate issued to such carrier under this section, unless such carrier is authorized to do so by an order issued by the Commission. The Commission shall issue such order, if upon application by such carrier, and after notice and opportunity for hearing, it finds that the abandonment of such route is consistent with the public interest. (Emphasis supplied).

Accordingly, Transemantics shall be required to post and publish notice of its application, and a date shall be established for receipt of comments or protests.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Transemantics, Inc., publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application in the form prescribed by the Commission staff, no later than Tuesday, May 5, 1981.
2. That Transemantics, Inc., conspicuously post notice of this application in any vehicle(s) operating in revenue service, such posting to be accomplished not later than, Tuesday, May 5, 1981, and maintained through Friday, May 22, 1981.
3. That Transemantics, Inc., provide the Commission an affidavit of the required publication and posting no later than Friday, May 22, 1981.
4. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule 14, and any person desiring to be heard shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Friday, May 22, 1981, by delivering six copies of said protest or notice to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, and simultaneously serving one copy on counsel for applicant Louis Rabil, Esquire, 1825 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


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Executive Director