

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2230

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 10, 1981

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

Case No. AP-81-10

By application filed May 22, 1981, Yellow Bus Lines, Inc., seeks temporary authority to transport passengers together with their baggage, in charter operations, between points in Prince George's County, Md., and points in the Metropolitan District, pursuant to contract with the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington. Service would be performed in school bus vehicles.

Yellow Bus, which operates 17 school buses, holds WMATC Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 64 which authorizes charter operations transporting passengers and baggage in the same vehicle with passengers, from points in the District of Columbia, Montgomery County, Md., the city of Alexandria, Va., and Washington National and Dulles International Airports in Virginia, to points in the Metropolitan District and return, restricted to the performance of such transportation in school bus vehicles.

The contract covers the period June 22, 1981, through August 14, 1981, and calls for six or seven vehicles each weekday to transport children on a scheduled basis primarily between points in Montgomery County, Md. (for which Yellow Bus holds authority), with one route running between Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, Md. Additionally, other trips will be made to other points in the Metropolitan District. Yellow Bus will be paid \$90 per bus for each day plus \$70 for one bus per day to be used for unscheduled transportation.

In support of the application the Jewish Community Center's director of camping services states that service into Prince George's County is needed to serve approximately 30 children of newly immigrated families who are unable to provide private transportation to the community center in Montgomery County.

Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3) of the Compact authorizes the Commission to grant temporary authority, in its discretion, where there is an immediate and urgent need for service and no carrier service capable of meeting such need. We find that Yellow Bus has established that there is an immediate and urgent need for the proposed service and that the only carrier capable of providing required service in school bus vehicles, McMichael School Bus Service, Inc., is unable to meet stated needs. Inasmuch as evidence of insurance and compliance with our regulation governing identification of motor vehicles has already been provided, the only filing requirement is two copies of an appropriate WMATC Temporary Authority Tariff as directed below.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Yellow Bus Lines, Inc., is hereby granted temporary authority to engage in charter operations pursuant to contract with the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, transporting passengers together with their baggage between points in Prince George's County, Md., and points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to the performance of such transportation in school bus vehicles only.

2. That the temporary authority granted herein shall be effective Monday, June 22, 1981, and shall continue through Friday, August 14, 1981, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

3. That Yellow Bus Lines, Inc., is hereby directed to file with the Commission, on or before June 19, 1981, two copies of its WMATC Temporary Authority Tariff No. 1, including the contract entered into with the Jewish Community Center.

4. That unless Yellow Bus Lines, Inc., timely complies with the mandate of the next preceding paragraph within the time established, or such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission, the grant of temporary authority herein shall be considered void, and the application shall stand denied in its entirety effective upon the expiration of the said compliance time.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION, COMMISSIONERS CLEMENT, SCHIFTER AND SHANNON:

  
WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY  
Executive Director