

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3621

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 7, 1991

Application of GREYHOUND LINES, )  
INC., for Approval of Control )  
Relationship -- TRAILWAYS COMMUTER )  
TRANSIT, INC. )

Case No. AP-91-06

By application filed January 30, 1991, Greyhound Lines, Inc. (GLI), requests, pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 3, approval of the control by GLI of Trailways Commuter Transit, Inc. (TCT).

In support of its request GLI states that it is a motor common carrier of passengers headquartered at 901 Main Street, Dallas, TX, and authorized to transport passengers between points in the Metropolitan District pursuant to WMATC Certificate No. 139. TCT is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GLI with headquarters at 315 Continental Avenue, Dallas, TX. TCT was incorporated in 1984 for the purpose of operating commuter service in Dallas, and holds no authority from this Commission. TCT has recently been conditionally granted temporary authority to perform certain service for the account of Montgomery County, MD. See Order Nos. 3605 and 3615, served February 4, 1991, and February 26, 1991, respectively. The service is in the nature of contract commuter service and was formerly performed by GLI. As part of an "ongoing reorganization," GLI determined that TCT, rather than GLI directly, should perform the service. TCT has pending an application for a Certificate of Authority. That application and this one were filed simultaneously inasmuch as TCT proposes to become a carrier operating in the Metropolitan District controlled by GLI, another carrier with WMATC authority. It is that control relationship that GLI asks the Commission to approve. GLI states by its application that, although both GLI and TCT would be conducting operations in the Metropolitan District, the operations would not be competitive. The application further asserts that approval of the control relationship will allow GLI to further its effort to consolidate commuter operations in TCT. In GLI's opinion this should result in a more experienced operation and in more responsive service to the public.

In order to approve an application filed pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 3, the Commission must find that the control relationship is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of GLI's application for approval of a control relationship. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

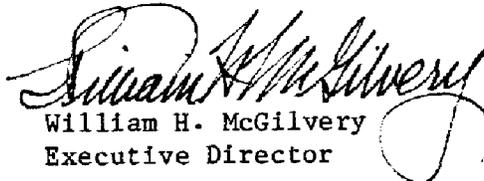
1. That Greyhound Lines, Inc., and Trailways Commuter Transit, Inc., shall no later than Thursday, March 13, 1991, jointly publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, and shall post continuously and conspicuously in each of their revenue vehicles in use within the Metropolitan District through the deadline for filing protests, notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That Greyhound Lines, Inc., and Trailways Commuter Transit, Inc., each shall file with the Commission no later than Monday, April 8, 1991, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been posted and published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That any person wanting to protest this application shall do so in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), and any person wanting to comment on this matter, other than by protest, shall do so in writing, in accordance with Regulation No. 54-04(a), no later than Monday, April 8, 1991, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's representative, William C. Evans, Esquire, 901 - 15th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005.

4. That any person seeking oral hearing on this matter shall request one in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b), no later than Monday, April 8, 1991, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's representative, William C. Evans, Esquire, 901 - 15th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

  
William H. McGilvery  
Executive Director