

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4077

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 31, 1993

Application of NIPPON TRAVEL, LTD.,)
for a Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)

Case No. AP-93-13

By application filed March 26, 1993, and amended March 29, 1993, Nippon Travel, Ltd. (Nippon or applicant), a District of Columbia corporation, seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.

Nippon's application includes information regarding, among other things, its corporate status, equipment, facilities, safety fitness, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

Nippon proposes to commence operations with a 5-passenger limousine and a 6-passenger limousine. Applicant's proposed tariff contains hourly rates, plus airport transfer rates.

In determining whether to grant or deny an application for a certificate of authority, the Compact at Title II, Article XI, Section 7 requires that the Commission determine whether an applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the transportation properly and conform to the provisions of the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations, and requirements and whether the transportation is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of Nippon's application for a certificate of authority.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Nippon Travel, Ltd., shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than Wednesday, April 14, 1993, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

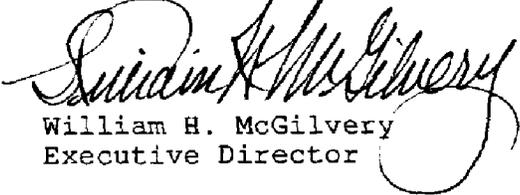
2. That Nippon Travel, Ltd., shall file with the Commission, no later than Wednesday, May 5, 1993, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That any person wanting to protest the application, in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), or comment on the application, in accordance with Regulation

No. 54-04(a), shall file such protest or comment at the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Wednesday, May 5, 1993, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's attorney, Amarjit S. Bakshi, Esquire, 51 Monroe Street, Suite 1700, Rockville, MD 20850-2409.

4. That any person seeking a formal oral hearing on this matter, in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b), shall request one no later than Wednesday, May 5, 1993, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's attorney, Amarjit S. Bakshi, Esquire, 51 Monroe Street, Suite 1700, Rockville, MD 20850-2409.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


William H. McGilvery
Executive Director