

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4253

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 11, 1994

Application of METRO ACCESS OF)
MARYLAND, INC., for a Certificate)
of Authority -- Irregular Route)
Operations)

Case No. AP-94-07

By application filed March 10, 1994, Metro Access of Maryland, Inc. (Metro Access or applicant), a Maryland 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.

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

Applicant proposes commencing operations with ten specially-modified minibuses with a seating capacity of eight persons each, including the driver. Applicant's proposed tariff contains a fixed monthly rate and fixed hourly rate for paratransit service, to be provided to the public under contract with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), over intra-county routes in Prince George's County, Maryland, and over inter-county and interstate routes within WMATA's service area.

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 Metro Access's application for a certificate of authority.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

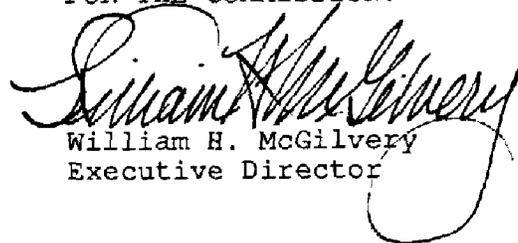
1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than Monday, March 21, 1994, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than Monday, April 11, 1994, 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), and any person wanting to 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 Monday, April 11, 1994, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's representative, Mr. Thomas D. Irvin, V.P. - Operations, Metro Access of Maryland, Inc., 5904 Richmond Highway, Suite 403, Alexandria, VA 22303.

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 Monday, April 11, 1994, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's representative, Mr. Thomas D. Irvin, V.P. - Operations, Metro Access of Maryland, Inc., 5904 Richmond Highway, Suite 403, Alexandria, VA 22303.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


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Executive Director