

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4994

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served January 7, 1997

Application to Transfer)
Certificate No. 311 from GIRMA) Case No. AP-97-02
BELAY, Trading as QUALITY)
TRANSPORT, to QUALITY TRANSPORT,)
INC.)

By application filed December 30, 1996, Girma Belay, trading as Quality Transport, WMATC Carrier No. 311, and Quality Transport, Inc. (QTI), a Maryland corporation, (collectively applicants), seek Commission approval to transfer Certificate of Authority No. 311 from Belay to QTI. Belay holds a controlling interest in QTI.

QTI proposes commencing operations with two vans. QTI's proposed tariff contains individual and group rates.

Article XI, Section 11(a), of the Compact governs the transfer of assets, including a certificate of authority, by an unincorporated WMATC carrier in exchange for a controlling interest in a newly formed corporation.¹ A transfer of this nature raises fitness issues only.²

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That applicants shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than January 21, 1997, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That applicants shall file with the Commission, no later than February 11, 1997, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

¹ In re Mildred Davis Roopnaraine, t/a MDR Transporting Serv., & MDR Transporting Serv., Inc., No. AP-95-28, Order No. 4623 (June 27, 1995).

² Id.

3. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention and requests for formal hearing is February 11, 1997, and that copies must be served on QTI's president, Mr. Girma Belay, 4113-71st Avenue, Landover Hills, MD 20784.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William H. McGilvery". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

William H. McGilvery
Executive Director