WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1262

IN THE MATTER OF: Served June 29, 1973

Petition of D. C. Transit   )
System, Inc., for a Tariff   )
to be Effective on Less   )
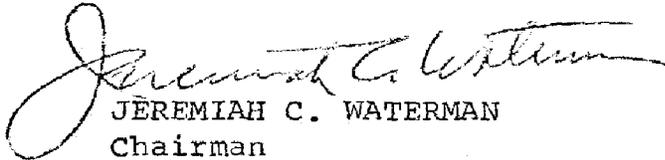Than Thirty Days Notice.   )

     The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact,
Title II, Article XII, Section 5(e) states in pertinent part
that each tariff "shall state a date on which the new tariff
shall take effect, and such date shall be at least thirty (30)
days after the date on which the tariff is filed, unless the
Commission by order authorizes its taking effect on an earlier
date." By letter and proposed tariff dated June 22, 1973, as
subsequently amended, D. C. Transit System, Inc. (Transit)
petitions the Commission for permission to amend its WMATC
Tariff No. 45 by accepting Supplement No. 1 to be effective
July 1, 1973.

     Supplement No. 1 seeks to add "Tour No. 10a", which,
Transit states, includes all the features of "Tour No. 10"
as well as a cruise on the Potomac River with dinner and
beverages provided by Le Bateau of Virginia, Inc. The two
hour dinner cruise will begin at 11:00 P.M. following the
sightseeing tour. The proceeds to Transit from "Tour No.
10a" will be the same as from "Tour No. 10", with the balance
of the charge for the new tour representing Le Bateau's charge
for the dinner cruise.

     Transit and Le Bateau entered into the underlying agree-
ment for this new tour on June 22, 1973. It was therefore
not possible for Transit to file its tariff on the usual
thirty (30) day effective notice unless it delayed operation
of this tour until well into the peak summer period. We see
no reason why this tour should not earlier be made available
to the traditionally heavy summer tourist trade.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Supplement No. 1 to WMATC Tariff No. 45 of D. C. Transit System, Inc., be, and it is hereby, authorized to become effective July 1, 1973, on less than thirty (30) days notice.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

JEREMIAH C. WATERMAN
Chairman