

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2126

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 7, 1980

Application of CALL-A-MESSENGER, )  
INC., for Special Authorization )  
to Perform Charter Operations )  
Pursuant to Contract with Trans )  
World Airlines, Inc. )

Case No. CP-80-03

By application filed July 2, 1980, Call-A-Messenger, Inc. (CAM), seeks authorization to operate pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with Trans World Airlines, Inc. (TWA), transporting TWA flight attendants, over irregular routes, (1) between Dulles International Airport, Herndon, Va., and Washington National Airport, Gravelly Point, Va., on the one hand, and, on the other, points in Washington, D. C., (2) between Dulles International Airport, and Washington National Airport via a route traversing the District of Columbia and (3) between Andrews Air Force Base, Md., on the one hand, and, on the other, Washington National Airport, Dulles International Airport and points in Washington, D. C. Inasmuch as the application proposes transportation of employees in charter operations pursuant to contract with an employer, it appears generally to be amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. 1/

The contract calls for the transportation of approximately 30 persons a day. Applicant has available 13 vehicles which are now being used for similar service performed for United Airlines and Pan American World Airways, Inc. The proposed effective date of the service is August 1, 1980, and the contract is to continue in effect until cancelled by either party pursuant to 30 days prior written notice. The proposed rate structure is as follows: 2/

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1/ See Order No. 2004, adopting Regulation No. 70, served June 20, 1979, and effective July 21, 1979.

2/ The proposed rate structure includes fares between specified points in the Metropolitan District and Baltimore Washington International Airport, a point outside the Metropolitan District. Service between these points does not come within the Commission's jurisdiction.

<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Per-Vehicle Charge</u>
Between Washington National Airport and Washington, D. C.	\$ 7.50
Washington National Airport and Dulles Airport	32.50
Dulles Airport and Washington, D. C.	32.50
Washington National Airport and Andrews Air Force Base	22.50
Dulles Airport and Andrews Air Force Base	37.50
Andrews Air Force Base and Washington, D. C.	22.50

For the first year of service applicant is giving TWA a five percent reduction on all scheduled rates. Waiting time is \$3 for every 15 minutes after the first 30 minutes, which is free of additional charge.

CAM's balance sheet, dated May 31, 1980, shows current assets of \$209,657, fixed assets (less depreciation) of \$90,395, current liabilities of \$103,865 and total equity of \$537,844 in the red. The operating statement shows an operating loss of almost \$50,000 for the year-to-date through May 1980. The annual projected operating result for the proposed service is \$1,803 on the basis of \$105,456 in income and expenses of \$103,653.

CAM states that it is experienced in providing flight crew shuttle service and that it is familiar with the rules, regulations and requirements of the Commission and will comply therewith, that it has not been found unfit by any regulatory agency, and that there is no current proceeding in which its fitness is under investigation. A notarized letter from the TWA general manager of In Flight Services declares that TWA has investigated CAM's qualifications and is satisfied that applicant is able properly to perform the proposed service. He further states that the sought transportation service has been performed in the past by Executive Limousine Service, Inc. 3/

Pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 70-06, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

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3/ Executive Limousine Service, Inc., is currently performing the service under Authorization No. SP-18-05 pursuant to Special Certificate No. 1. That authority is valid until cancelled. The Commission will cancel that authority as of August 1, 1980, the proposed effective date of CAM's contract, should this application be granted.

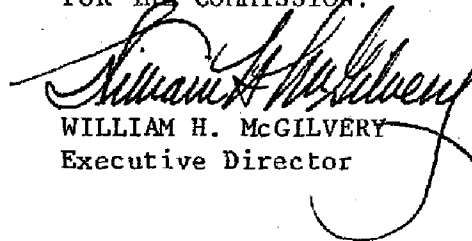
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Call-A-Messenger, Inc., publish once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Friday, July 11, 1980.

2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication with the Commission no later than Friday, July 18, 1980.

3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than Monday, July 21, 1980, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on counsel for applicant, John M. Ballenger, Esquire, 6121 Lincolnia Road, Suite 400, Alexandria, Va. 22312.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



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Executive Director

