

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2308

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served January 27, 1982

Application of FUJI INTERNATIONAL)
 TRAVEL AGENCY, INC., for a)
 Certificate of Public Convenience)
 and Necessity to Engage in Charter)
 Operations)

Case No. AP-82-01

By application filed January 20, 1982, Fuji International Travel Agency, Inc. (Fuji), seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport passengers and their baggage, in charter operations, between points in the Metropolitan District. 1/ Fuji proposes to provide service in vans and in vehicles with a 21-passenger seating capacity. The application seeks authority "[t]o operate [mini]buses and vans with Japanese speaking drivers and/or guides on a charter . . . basis . . . to all points within the metropolitan area, including such operations as limousine service, sightseeing, hotel and airport transfers, for pre-formed Japanese travel groups." 2/

Fuji maintains two vans and two vehicles with a 21-passenger seating capacity. It proposes the following rate structure:

<u>Airport Transfers*</u>	<u>Minibus</u>	<u>Van</u>
National Airport	\$110	\$65
Dulles Airport	145	85
 <u>City Transfers*</u>		
Minimum-three hours	150	110
Up to seven hours	220	190
Additional hours	30	25
 <u>City Sightseeing*</u>		
Service is from hotel to hotel		
Minimum-three hours	193	130
Up to seven hours	275	225
Additional hours	40	33

1/ The application includes Baltimore-Washington International Airport which is outside the Metropolitan District, as a service point. To this extent, the application is hereby dismissed.

2/ This language will not be interpreted as a proposed restriction of the authority sought.

<u>Meeting/Sightseeing Combination*</u>	<u>Minibus</u>	<u>Van</u>
Meet at National Airport; tour city; then to hotel		
Four hours from flight arrival	\$265	\$150
Meet at Dulles Airport; tour city; then to hotel		
Five hours from Flight arrival	345	185

* All service is with Japanese-speaking guide/driver.

Fuji states that it is aware of no other service offering 21-passenger bus service for pre-formed Japanese groups with Japanese drivers. All carriers holding general charter authority from this Commission will be notified of this application by service of this order.

In accordance with the requirements of the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) and (c), this matter will be scheduled for public hearing. Applicant shall be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the cost of the proceeding and required to submit a projected operating statement.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Case No. AP-82-01 of Fuji International Travel Agency, Inc., is hereby scheduled for public hearing to commence Tuesday, March 9, 1982, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice of this application and hearing, in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Friday, February 5, 1982, and present at the hearing a certificate of publication from the selected newspaper.

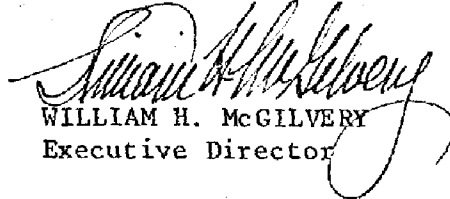
3. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall notify the Commission in writing not later than Friday, February 26, 1982, and shall mail a copy of such protest or notice to applicant's counsel, James W. Schroeder, Esquire, Kaplan, Russin & Vecchi, 1218 - 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036.

4. That applicant is hereby assessed \$600 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and directed to

deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than 12 noon, Wednesday, March 3, 1982.

5. That applicant file with the Commission six copies of a projected annual revenue and revenue deductions statement for the proposed service no later than 12 noon, Wednesday, March 3, 1982, produce the original at the public hearing, and service a copy on each party of record as of Friday, February 26, 1982.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director

