

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 5056

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 16, 1997

Application to Transfer )  
Certificate No. 214 from RAINBOW )  
LUXURY LINES, INC., to RAINBOW )  
BUS COMPANY )

Case No. AP-97-21

By application accepted for filing April 10, 1997, Rainbow Luxury Lines, Inc., (RLL), WMATC Carrier No. 214, and Rainbow Bus Company, (RBC), a Delaware corporation, (collectively applicants), seek Commission approval to transfer the assets of RLL, including Certificate of Authority No. 214, to RBC.

RBC proposes commencing operations with one motorcoach. RBC's proposed tariff contains hourly rates and transfer rates.

Under Article XI, Section 11(a), and Article XII, Section 3(a)(ii), (c), of the Compact, the Commission may approve the transfer of assets from RLL to RBC, including Certificate No. 214, if the Commission finds said transfer to be in the public interest. The public interest analysis focuses on the acquiring party's fitness, the resulting competitive balance and the interests of affected employees.<sup>1</sup> Applicants will be directed to file a statement describing the effects of the transfer on competition and on the interests of affected employees.

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether the proposed transfer 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 April 25, 1997, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That applicants shall file with the Commission, no later than May 16, 1997, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That applicants shall file with the Commission, no later than April 25, 1997, an original and four copies of a statement describing the effects of the transfer on competition and on the interests of affected employees.

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<sup>1</sup> In re Laidlaw Transit (Virginia) Inc., & Williams Bus Lines, Inc., No. AP-96-46, Order No. 4957 (Oct. 24, 1996).

4. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention and requests for formal hearing is May 16, 1997, and that copies must be served on RBC's president, Joseph O'Loughlin, P. O. Box 3130, Laurel, MD 20709-3130.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



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Acting Executive Director