

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7966

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 21, 2004

Application of RAGIN' METRO,)
L.L.C., for a Certificate of)
Authority -- Irregular Route)
Operations)

Case No. AP-2004-17

This application was filed on January 15, 2004, in the name of Ragin' Metro, Inc., by Kenneth M. Neeld, who identified himself as president. In support of the application, however, Mr. Neeld filed a certificate of good standing from the Virginia State Corporation Commission that identified applicant as a Virginia limited liability company by the name of Ragin' Metro, L.L.C., as is reflected in the caption above. This discrepancy was noted in the initial order in this proceeding, and Mr. Neeld has since explained that he intended to form a corporation, but an error in communication between him and the law firm he hired to establish a corporation led to the formation of a limited liability company instead. The application is now supported by a certificate of good standing evidencing the formation of Ragin' Metro, Inc., as a Virginia corporation on February 6, 2004. Corporate minutes dated February 22, 2004, establish that the board of directors of Ragin' Metro, Inc., has ratified this application as an act of the corporation.

Applicant seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District. The application is unopposed.

The Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7(a), authorizes the Commission to issue a certificate of authority if it finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with two buses. Applicant's proposed tariff contains hourly charter rates with minimum charges.

Applicant verifies that: (1) applicant owns or leases, or has the means to acquire through ownership or lease, one or more motor vehicles meeting the Commission's safety requirements and suitable for the transportation proposed in this application; (2) applicant owns, or has the means to acquire, a motor vehicle liability insurance policy that provides the minimum amount of coverage required by Commission regulations; and (3) applicant has access to, is familiar

with and will comply with the Compact, the Commission's rules, regulations and orders, and Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations as they pertain to transportation of passengers for hire.

Based on the evidence in this record, the Commission finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

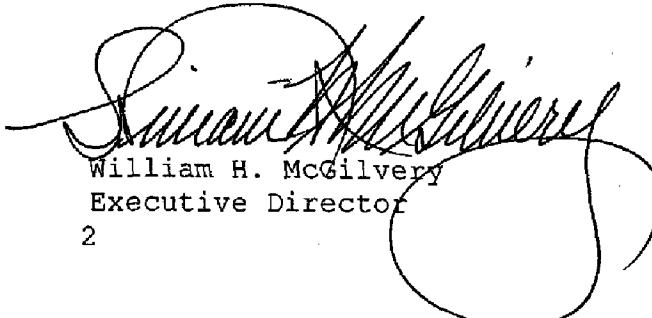
1. That upon applicant's timely compliance with the requirements of this order, Certificate of Authority No. 918 shall be issued to Ragin' Metro, Inc., 726 - 3rd Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20002.

2. That applicant may not transport passengers for hire between points in the Metropolitan District pursuant to this order unless and until a certificate of authority has been issued in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

3. That applicant is hereby directed to file the following documents within the 180-day maximum permitted in Commission Regulation No. 66: (a) evidence of insurance pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 58 and Order No. 4203; (b) an original and four copies of a tariff or tariffs in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 55; (c) a vehicle list stating the year, make, model, serial number, fleet number, license plate number (with jurisdiction) and seating capacity of each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (d) a copy of the for-hire vehicle registration card, and a lease as required by Commission Regulation No. 62 if applicant is not the registered owner, for each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (e) proof of current safety inspection of said vehicle(s) by or on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, the State of Maryland, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Virginia; and (f) a notarized affidavit of identification of vehicles pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 61.

4. That the grant of authority herein shall be void and the application shall stand denied upon applicant's failure to timely satisfy the conditions of issuance prescribed herein.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES, MILLER AND MCDONALD:


William H. McGilver
Executive Director