BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

A.M. TOURS, INC. )

For Extension of Motor Carrier )
Certificate. 

DOCKET NO. 2008-0106

DECISION AND ORDER
Before the Public Utilities Commission
Of the State of Hawaii

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A.M. Tours, Inc.  )
) Docket No. 2008-0106
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Decision and Order

By this Decision and Order, the commission authorizes
A.M. Tours, Inc. ("Applicant") to extend its authority under
certificate of public convenience and necessity number 1265-C
("Certificate No. 1265-C") by (1) removing the 15 passenger seat
restriction in the 8-to-25 passenger classification on the
islands of Maui and Hawaii, and (2) including the
8-to-25-passenger classification on the island of Kauai, subject
to certain conditions, as described herein.

I.
Application to Extend Common Carrier Authority

Applicant is a common carrier of passengers by motor
vehicle over irregular routes (1) on the island of Oahu in the
1-to-7 and 8-to-25 passenger classifications, and (2) on the
islands of Maui and Hawaii (excluding Waipio Valley) in the
8-to-25 passenger classification, limited to utilizing motor
vehicles with a maximum manufacturer's seating capacity of
15 passengers. On June 5, 2008, Applicant filed an application
seeking commission approval to extend its authority under Certificate No. 1265-C by (1) removing the 15 passenger seat restriction in the 8-to-25 passenger classification on the islands of Maui and Hawaii, and (2) including the 8-to-25 passenger classification on the island of Kauai.

Applicant served copies of the application on the Hawaii Transportation Association, which consists of carriers that may be affected by Applicant’s proposed service, and on the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Consumer Advocate"). The Consumer Advocate did not participate in this proceeding, and no persons moved to intervene in this docket.

II.
Findings and Conclusions

Based upon our review of the record, the commission finds that Applicant is fit, willing, and able to properly perform the proposed service, and to conform to Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 271 and the requirements and rules of the commission. The commission also finds that the proposed service is required by the present and future public convenience and necessity. Accordingly, the commission concludes that Applicant’s request for an extension of its authority should be granted.
III.

Orders

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. Applicant is authorized to operate as a common carrier of passengers by motor vehicle over irregular routes (1) on the island of Oahu in the 1-to-7 and 8-to-25 passenger classifications, and (2) on the islands of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii (excluding Waipio Valley) in the 8-to-25 passenger classification.

2. Within one hundred and twenty (120) days after service of this Decision and Order, Applicant shall:
   a. Provide the address of its physical facilities/base yard for the island of Kauai.
   b. File a Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. ("WMTB") tariff scope sheet that reflects Applicant's new authority on the islands of Kauai, Maui, Hawaii.
   c. Complete and submit the enclosed "Vehicle Inventory List" form for the island of Kauai only. The vehicles utilized must be registered under the name of the corporation. If Applicant chooses to lease any vehicle, it is required to complete and submit a "Motor Vehicle Equipment Lease" form. The form is available on the commission's website at www.hawaii.gov/budget/puc.
   d. Submit a copy of the current Certificate of Registration or ownership document for all vehicles listed on the Vehicle Inventory List above.

3. Applicant shall comply with the foregoing requirements within one hundred and twenty (120) days after service of this Decision and Order. Failure to comply within the

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"WMTB may be contacted at 836-5874, or toll free at (866) 585-5874, for more information.

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time specified may constitute cause for this commission to vacate this Decision and Order.

4. Applicant shall not commence its expanded operations on the islands of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii until it has received written confirmation from the commission that all requirements have been met.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii               SEP - 5 2008

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By John E. Cole, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By Leslie H. Kondo, Commissioner

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing order was served on the date of filing by mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the following parties:

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