

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
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HAWAIIAN TRADITIONS TOURS, INC.)
)
For a Motor Carrier Certificate or)
Permit.)
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DOCKET NO. 2008-0005

DECISION AND ORDER NO. 24129

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By this Decision and Order, the commission grants HAWAIIAN TRADITIONS TOURS, INC. ("Applicant") a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("Certificate") to operate as a common carrier of passengers by motor vehicle in the 8-to-25 passenger classification over irregular routes on the island of Maui, excluding East Maui, subject to certain conditions, as described herein.

I.

Application for Common Carrier Authority

On January 14, 2008, Applicant filed an application requesting a Certificate to operate as a common carrier of passengers by motor vehicle in the 8-to-25 passenger classification over irregular routes on the island of Maui, excluding East Maui. The application was filed pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 271-12.

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 HRS 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 operating authority, as set forth in the application, should be granted.

III.

Orders

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. Applicant is granted a Certificate to operate as a common carrier of passengers by motor vehicle in the 8-to-25 passenger classification over irregular routes on the island of Maui, excluding East Maui.

2. Within one hundred and twenty (120) days after service of this Decision and Order, Applicant shall:

- a. Complete and submit the enclosed insurance forms: (a) Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily

Injury and Property Damage Certificate of Insurance (WC-3539), and (b) Uniform Motor Carrier Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Endorsement (WC-3538). The forms should include the policy number and be completed and signed by Applicant's insurance agent or company; or they will be rejected.¹

- b. File a tariff in accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapter 6-63. As the application indicates that Applicant will be participating in the tariff published by the Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. ("WMTB"), Applicant shall submit an executed Rate and Tariff Agreement or a Tariff Scope Sheet confirming Applicant's membership in the tariff bureau.²

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

4. Applicant shall not commence operations under this Decision and Order until it has received written confirmation from the commission that all requirements have been met.

¹An explanation of the liability insurance coverage requirements is attached to this Decision and Order.

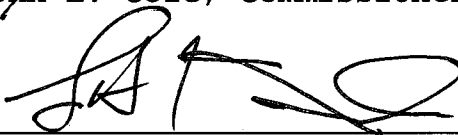
²WMTB may be contacted at 836-5874, or toll free at (866) 585-5874, for more information.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii APR - 7 2008.

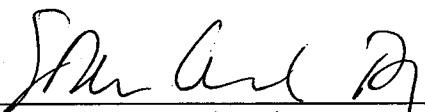
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By 
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Stacey Kawasaki Djou
Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Decision and Order No. 24129 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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DATED: APR - 7 2008