BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of) MOLOKAI SECURITY SERVICE, INC. For a Motor Carrier Certificate or) Permit.

DOCKET NO. 03-0184

DECISION AND ORDER NO. 20565

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Chief Clerk of the Commission

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Docket No. 03-0184

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DECISION AND ORDER

I.

By an application filed on June 24, 2003, and amended on June 30, 2003, MOLOKAI SECURITY SERVICE, INC. ("Applicant") requests permanent authority to operate as a common carrier of property by motor vehicle over irregular routes on the island of Molokai in the general commodities and specific commodities (mail, money) classifications. The application is made pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 271-12. By Decision and Order No. 20332, filed on July 3, 2003, in Docket No. 03-0188, Applicant was granted temporary authority to operate as a common carrier of property over irregular routes on the island of Molokai in the general commodities classification.

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.

Based upon our review of the record, we find 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. We also find that the proposed service is required by the present and future public convenience and necessity. Accordingly, we conclude that Applicant's request for operating authority in the general commodities classification should be granted.

With respect to Applicant's request for authority to operate as a common carrier of property in the specific commodities (mail, money) classification, the commission notes that the transportation of mail is exempt from regulation pursuant to HRS § 271-5(7), and that the transportation of money is allowed under Applicant's general commodities authority when granted. We, thus, find that Applicant's request to operate in the specific commodities (mail, money) classification is unnecessary and should be dismissed as moot.

III.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. Applicant is granted permanent authority to operate as a common carrier of property by motor vehicle over irregular

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routes on the island of Molokai in the general commodities classification.

2. Applicant's request to operate as a common carrier of property by motor vehicle over irregular routes on the island of Molokai in the specific commodities (mail, money) classification is dismissed.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 8th day of October, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Antis P. Caliboso, Chairman

Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Benedyne S. Stone Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing <u>Decision and Order No. 20565</u> upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY P. O. Box 541 Honolulu, HI 96809

MOLOKAI SECURITY SERVICE, INC. c/o ANTHONY C.K. BUCHANAN, SR. P. O. Box 133 Hoolehua, HI 96729

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DATED: October 8, 2003