BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

PARADISE EXCURSIONS INC. )
)
For a Motor Carrier Certificate or )
Permit.
)

DOCKET NO. 03-0393

ORDER NO. 20836

Filed March 5, 2004
At 2:00 o'clock P.M.

Karen Higashi
Chief Clerk of the Commission

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Commission, State of Hawaii.
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I. Motion to Intervene

On November 19, 2003, PARADISE EXCURSIONS INC. ("Applicant") filed an application with the commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a common carrier of passengers in the 8-to-25 passenger classification on the island of Hawaii, over irregular routes, excluding Waipio Valley. Applicant proposes to use vehicles with a seating capacity limited to 11 passengers.

On December 26, 2003, a motion to intervene in the instant proceeding ("Motion to Intervene") was filed by Jack's Tours, Inc. ("Movant").

II. Discussion

Pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") 6-61-55, "[i]ntervention shall not be granted except on allegations which are reasonably pertinent to and do not unreasonably broaden the
issues already presented." Additionally, intervention as a party in a proceeding before us is a matter resting within our sound discretion. See In re Application of Hawaiian Electric Co., Ltd., 56 Haw. 260 (1975).

In its Motion to Intervene, Movant alleges, among other things, that it can demonstrate to the commission that approving the instant application is not in the public interest and that a grant of intervention will not unduly delay the proceeding.

Based upon our review of the Motion to Intervene, we find that Movant’s assertions do not warrant a grant of intervention by the commission. Movant has not convinced the commission that its participation as a party is necessary to a proper determination of the instant application, or that a grant of intervention to Movant would not unnecessarily delay the instant proceeding. Thus, the commission concludes that Movant’s Motion to Intervene should be denied.

III.

Order

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that Movant’s Motion to Intervene, filed on December 26, 2003, is denied.
DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 5th day of March, 2004.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By
Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Benedyne Stone
Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 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: March 5, 2004