BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

DRAGAN RNIC dba RESORT LIMOUSINE SERVICE

For A Motor Carrier Certificate Or Permit.

DOCKET NO. 04-0179

ORDER NO. 21780

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Chief Clerk of the Commission

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Commission, State of Hawaii.

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By this Order, the commission grants Jack's Tours, Inc.'s ("Jack's" or "Movant") request to present oral arguments on the hearings officer's findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommended decision and order ("Recommended Decision"), filed on March 30, 2005.

I.

Introduction

On July 22, 2004, DRAGAN RNIC dba RESORTS LIMOUSINE SERVICE ("Applicant"), filed an application to, among other things, extend its authority under certificate of public convenience and necessity number 5710-C by removing the restriction limiting Applicant to ten (10) passengers in the 8-to-25 passenger classification, on the island of Hawaii, excluding Waipio Valley.

¹Applicant also filed his request for an extension of his motor carrier authority on the island of Kauai. That request is not a part of this Order and was determined separately by the commission.

On August 18, 2004, Movant filed a motion to intervene, with a for а hearing on the motion, pursuant request Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-55 ("Motion Intervene"). On August 26, 2004, Applicant filed a memorandum in opposition to the Motion to Intervene ("Memorandum in Opposition").2 On September 7, 2004, Movant filed a reply memorandum to the Memorandum in Opposition.

A hearing on the Motion to Intervene was held at 9:00 a.m. on November 23, 2004, at the commission's Hawaii District Office. Applicant represented himself at the hearing. Jack's was represented by attorney Wray Kondo.

On March 15, 2005, the hearings officer, Kevin M. Katsura, issued a Recommended Decision, wherein he recommended that the commission deny Jack's Motion to Intervene.

On March 30, 2005, Jack's filed timely exceptions to the Recommended Decision ("Exceptions")³ and asked that the Recommended Decision be reversed and that oral arguments be heard on the Exceptions, pursuant to HAR § 6-61-132.

HAR § 6-61-132 provides that the commission may "on its own motion or on the request of any party", direct oral argument on exceptions. Accordingly, the commission will grant Jack's request for oral arguments on the Exceptions filed in this docket.

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Pursuant to HAR §§ 6-61-41 and 6-61-21, Applicant's Memorandum in Opposition was untimely. In this regard, Applicant filed a request with the commission to enlarge the time for him to file a response to the Motion to Intervene; this request was not copied to Movant. The commission will address the issues of untimeliness and Applicant's request for an enlargement of time in a subsequent decision and order.

³See HAR § 6-61-130.

Additionally, in light of the commission granting Jack's request for oral arguments, the commission will also give Applicant an opportunity, if he so desires, to present oral arguments on the Exceptions.

II.

Order

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that Jack's request for the commission to hear oral arguments on its Exceptions, filed on March 30, 2005, is granted. The commission shall hear Jack's and Applicant's oral arguments relating to Jack's Exceptions at 465 South King Street, Room B3, Honolulu, Hawaii, on May 24, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. Jack's and Applicant may be represented by counsel. If either side chooses not to retain counsel for oral argument, each may be represented at the hearing as follows: (a) an individual may appear on his or her own behalf; (b) a partner may represent a partnership; and (c) an officer or authorized employee of a corporation, trust, or association may represent the corporation, trust, or association.

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DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii _____APR 2 7 2005

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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 Order No. 21780 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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