BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
A.M. TOURS, INC. ) DOCKET NO. 05-0277
) For Extension of Motor Carrier Certificate.
)

DECISION AND ORDER NO. 22579

Filed June 29, 2006
At 1:45 o'clock P.M.

Karen Higashi
Chief Clerk of the Commission

ATTEST: A True Copy
KAREN HIGASHI
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") to include the 1-to-7 passenger classification on the island of Oahu, 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 8-to-25 passenger classification, (2) on the island of Maui in the 8-to-25 passenger classification, limited to utilizing motor vehicles with a maximum manufacturer's seating capacity of 15 passengers, and (3) on the island of 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 November 3, 2005, Applicant filed
an application seeking commission approval to extend its authority under Certificate No. 1265-C to include the 1-to-7 passenger classification on the island of Oahu. Applicant represents that if its authority is extended as requested, it can meet customer demand for motor vehicles with a seating capacity of 1-to-7 passengers.

Applicant served copies of the application on the Hawaii Transportation Association and the Hawaii State Certified Common Carriers Association, Inc., which consist 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, we find 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. 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 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, (2) on the island of Maui in the 8-to-25 passenger classification, limited to utilizing motor vehicles with a maximum manufacturer’s seating capacity of 15 passengers, and (3) on the island of 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.

2. Applicant shall comply with all of the commission’s requirements for common carriers by motor vehicle including, but not limited to, filing a lawful tariff.

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 constitutes cause for this commission to vacate this Decision and Order.

4. Applicant shall not commence operations in the 1-to-7 passenger classification on the island of Oahu until it has received written confirmation from the commission that all requirements have been met.
DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii  
JUN 29 2006

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By  
Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

( EXCUSED )

By  
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By  
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stacey Kawasaki Djou  
Commission Counsel
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Decision and Order No. 22579 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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