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APPLICATION of SOUTH HILL MOVERS, INC. (NEW),  
a CORPORATION of the COMMONWEALTH of PENNSYLVANIA

Enclosed is the compliance order issued by the Commission in this proceeding.

The Certificate of Public Convenience evidencing the Commission's approval of the right to operate will not be issued until the applicant has prepared and filed a tariff, instructions for which are enclosed.

No motor carrier shall operate or engage in any transportation until compliance with the above requirement and a certificate of public convenience has been issued authorizing actual operations. Motor carriers operating without complying with the above requirement will be subject to the penalty provisions of the Public Utility Code.

Commission regulations require compliance with the above requirement within sixty (60) days of the date of this letter. Failure to comply within sixty (60) day period will cause the Commission to rescind the action of December 19, 1996, and dismiss the application without further proceeding.

Very truly yours,

John G. Alford, Secretary

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PENNSYLVANIA  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Public Meeting held December 19, 1996

Commissioners Present:

John M. Quain, Chairman  
Lisa Crutchfield, Vice-Chairman  
John Hanger  
David W. Rolka  
Robert K. Bloom

Application of South Hills Movers, Inc. (NEW), A-00109506  
a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, F.1  
for transfer of part of the operating rights of Leelease, Inc., authorized under the certificate Am-C  
issued at A-00107868, subject to the same limitations  
and conditions.

John A. Vuono for the applicant.

ORDER

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BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter comes before the Commission on an application filed October 16, 1996. Public notice of the application was given in the Pennsylvania Bulletin of November 12, 1996. The unopposed application is certified to the Commission for its decision without oral hearing.

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

Robert E. Lee, the president of South Hills Movers, Inc. (NEW), represents the applicant, setting forth that the company is currently certificated to transport household goods in use between points in Western Pennsylvania as more fully described by its certificate of public convenience. In addition, its was granted the right to transport property, excluding household goods in use, between points in Pennsylvania, by virtue of the Commissions Final Decision at P-00940884, adopted on December 15, 1994, and entered on December 22, 1994.

The purpose of the instant transfer which extracts certain operating territories from the broad territory of Leelease, Inc., is to increase coverage in Western Pennsylvania and permit the reorganization of several commonly held companies.

A concurrent application for the balance of the Leelease, Inc., authority was filed by SHM, Inc. South Hills Movers, Inc. (NEW), SMH, Inc. and Leelease, Inc., are affiliated companies all of which are under the control of the Robert Lee family. The instant application and the application of SMH, Inc., are related to a corporate reorganization of the Lee family companies. Upon transfer of authority to South Hill Movers, Inc. (NEW) and SMH, Inc., Leelease, Inc., will no longer hold operating authority from the Commission.

The authority held by the transferor, Leelease, Inc., consists of two paragraphs, the first being the broad form description of household goods permitting service between points in the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, and points within one hundred twenty-five (125) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of the said city. The second paragraph of authority held by Leelease, Inc., authorizes the transportation of tabulating machines, calculating machines, computers, etc., between points in the same territory. This second paragraph of authority is now considered a general property right permitting transportation of property between points in Pennsylvania by virtue of the Commission's Final Decision cited above.

Only transfer of a part of the household goods right is subject in this application since the applicant now holds authority to transport property, excluding household goods in use, between points in Pennsylvania.

The applicant is requesting the territory of Pittsburgh and within one hundred twenty-five (125) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of the city, with the exclusion of specific areas described as follows: (a) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the county of Beaver, (b) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the counties of Allegheny, Fayette, Greene, Lawrence and Washington, (c) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the borough of Ellwood City, Lawrence County, and within ten (10) miles by the usually travelled highways of the limits of said borough, (d) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from, or between points in the borough of Clymer, Indiana County, and within twenty-five (25) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said borough (except that service may be provided to, from or between points in White Township and the borough of Indiana, Indiana County, (e) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the borough of Leechburg, Armstrong County, and within ten (10) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said borough, (f) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service between points in the city of Erie, Erie County; from points in the city of Erie, Erie County,

to points within twenty (20) miles by the usually traveled highways of the public square in said city, and vice versa; or from points in the city of Erie, Erie County, and within twenty (20) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said city to points in Pennsylvania within one hundred twenty-five (125) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, or vice versa.

The conditions made part of the authority to transfer have been place on the authority to eliminate duplications with the balance of authority to transfer to SHM, Inc. Our review of the authority and conditions confirms that no duplications will occur.

The total consideration for the operating rights is \$1,000.00 which will be paid in full upon approval of the transfer.

As of December 31, 1995, the applicant reports assets of \$2,380,034 with liabilities of \$2,159,599. Total current assets of &1,604,054 exceed current liabilities of \$927,457. For calendar year 1995, total revenue of \$9,546,616 provided a net income of \$14,510 after expenses and taxes. The applicant reports retained earnings of \$170,475 at the end of the year.

A review of the record before us indicates that the applicant possesses the requisite experience, equipment and fitness to provide the proposed service.

The authority to be transferred has been operated by the transferor, therefore, it is presumed that there is a continuing need, which may be overcome only by evidence to the contrary. In re: Byerly, 440Pa. 521 (1970); Hostetter v. Pa. P.U.C., 160 Super. Ct. 94 (1947) Since the record is void of any such evidence, this presumption of continuing public need applies in this transfer proceeding.

We Find:

1. The applicant is fit, willing and able to provide the service proposed.
2. Transfer of the authority is in the public interest and is necessary for the continued accommodation and convenience of the public; THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED: That the transfer application be and is hereby approved and that certificate issued April 18, 1991, as amended, be further amended granting the following rights:

To transport, as a Class D Carrier, household goods in use, between points in the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, and points within one hundred twenty-five (125) miles by the usually travelled highways of the limits of said city;

subject to the following conditions:

(a) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the county of Beaver;

(b) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the counties of Allegheny, Fayette, Greene, Lawrence and Washington;

(c) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the borough of Ellwood City, Lawrence County, and within ten (10) miles by the usually travelled highways of the limits of said borough;

(d) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from, or between points in the borough of Clymer, Indiana County, and within twenty-five (25) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said borough (except that service may be provided to, from or between points in White Township and the borough of Indiana, Indiana County;

(e) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service to, from or between points in the borough of Leechburg, Armstrong County, and within ten (10) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said borough;

(f) That no right, power or privilege is granted to provide service between points in the city of Erie, Erie County; from points in the city of Erie, Erie County, to points within twenty (20) miles by the usually traveled highways of the public square in said city, and vice versa; or from points in the city of Erie, Erie County, and within twenty (20) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of said city to points in Pennsylvania within one hundred twenty-five (125) miles by the usually traveled highways of the limits of the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, or vice versa.

subject to the following general conditions:

1. That the authority granted herein to the extent that it duplicates authority now held by or subsequently granted to the applicant shall not be construed as conferring more than one operating right.

2. That the approval hereby given is not to be understood as committing the Commission, in any proceeding that may be brought before it for any purpose, to fix a valuation on the property and/or rights to be acquired by applicant from the present certificate holder equal to the consideration to be paid therefor, or equal to any value that may be placed thereon by the applicant, or to approve or prescribe rates sufficient to yield a return thereon.
3. That the applicant record in its Utility Account 1321 - Franchises, the actual cost of such rights recorded by the original holder thereof.
4. That the utility accounts of the transferee shall reflect the same book values for all utility property acquired as shown in the records of the transferor at the effective date of the transfer, and previously recorded depreciation having been deleted therefrom.
5. That the applicant charge to Account 1341 - Other Intangible Property, any amount of the consideration paid for the rights and going concern value attributable thereto in excess of the amounts recorded under condition no. 2 above.
6. That the certificate holder shall not transfer, sell or in anyway convey any of its outstanding capital stock to any individual, partnership, corporation or any other entity, without the prior filing of an application and approval thereof by the Commission under Section (a)(3) of Title 66 PA C.S.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That the applicant shall not engage in any transportation granted in this application until the following is submitted to the Commission:

1. A tariff establishing just and reasonable rates for the transportation of household goods in use.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That in the event said applicant has not, on or before sixty (60) days from the date of the service of this order, complied with the requirements hereinbefore set forth, the application shall be dismissed without further proceedings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That upon compliance with this order, the rights granted the transferor, Leelease, Inc., under the certificate issued at A-00107868 be and are hereby cancelled and the record shall be marked closed.

BY THE COMMISSION



John G. Alford  
Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: December 19, 1996

ORDER ENTERED: DEC 23 1996