Service Date: October 18, 2022

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In re Joint Application to transfer certificate of public convenience and necessity C000974 from:

NORTHWESTERN STAGE LINES, INC d/b/a NORTHWESTERN TRAILWAYS

to:

NWSBW, LLC d/b/a NORTHWESTERN STAGE LINES; BOISE WINNEMUCCA

DOCKET TC-220642

ORDER 01

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION; TRANSFERING CERTIFICATE C000947

BACKGROUND

- On August 24, 2022, Northwestern Stage Lines, Inc d/b/a Northwestern Trailways (Northwestern Stage Lines), and NWSBW, LLC d/b/a Northwestern Stage Lines; Boise Winnemucca (NWSBW) filed a joint application in Docket TC-220642 with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) for authority to transfer all rights under certificate of public convenience and necessity C000947 from Northwestern Stage Lines to NWSBW.
- 2 Certificate C000947 is held by Northwestern Stage Lines and authorizes passenger transportation services as described in the certificate.
- The routes held in certificate C00094 that are operated by Northwestern Stage Lines are preempted from rate regulation and time schedules under WAC 480-30-256.
- The application appeared on the August 26, 2022, application docket. Interested parties were notified of the application to give them an opportunity to express their views. The application was not protested.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

The Commission, having considered the application and being fully advised, finds that NWSBW is fit, willing and able to furnish the transfer of rights under certificate C000947, and that the transfer of rights under that certificate to NWSBW will not be detrimental to the public interest.

Furthermore, the Commission, having considered the application and being fully advised, finds that NWSBW is fit, willing, and able to furnish the transferred service and that the transferred service continues to be necessary and a convenience to the public.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 7 (1) The application filed in this docket to transfer the rights in the State of Washington from Northwestern Stage Lines, Inc to NWSBW, LLC d/b/a Northwestern Stage Lines; Boise Winnemucca is granted upon the applicant complying with RCW 81.68 and WAC 480-30, relating to passenger transportation companies.
- 8 (2) Certificate C000947 is (re)issued to NWSBW, LLC d/b/a Northwestern Stage Lines; Boise Winnemucca as described in attached Appendix A.
- 9 (3) The routes held in certificate C000947 that will be operated by NWSBW, LLC upon effectuation of this order are preempted from rate regulation and time schedules under WAC 480-30-256.
- The Commission has delegated authority to the Secretary to enter this Order under RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-905(6)(c).

DATED at Lacey, Washington and effective October 18, 2022.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Executive Director and Secretary

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NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.

APPENDIX A

NWSBW, LLC d/b/a Northwestern Stage Lines; Boise Winnemucca 4611 S. Ben Franklin Lane Spokane, WA 99224 Certificate No. G000173

PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE

BETWEEN: Spokane and the Washington-Idaho State Line southeast of Uniontown en route to Lewiston, Idaho:

From Spokane, over U.S. Highway 195 to the Washington-Idaho State Line, with authority to serve Thornton over access highways to U.S. Highway 195.

BETWEEN: Pullman and the Washington-Idaho State Line en route to Moscow, Idaho:

From Pullman over Washington Highway 270 to the Washington-Idaho State Line.

BETWEEN: The Idaho-Washington State Line east of Clarkston en route from Lewiston, Idaho, and Walla Walla:

From the Idaho-Washington State Line over U.S. Highway 12 to Walla Walla.

BETWEEN: Walla Walla and the Washington-Oregon State Line en route to Pendleton, Oregon:

From Walla Walla, over Washington Highway 125 to the Washington-Oregon State Line.

BETWEEN: Spokane and Seattle over Interstate Highway 90 and all intermediate points.

BETWEEN: Seattle and Bellingham over Interstate Highway 5 and all intermediate points.

BETWEEN: Wenatchee and Oroville over U.S. Highway 97.

BETWEEN: Everett, Wenatchee and Moses Lake over U.S. Highway 2 and State Routes 28, 282 and 17.

BETWEEN: Wenatchee and Ellensburg via US Highways 2 and 97. (Authorized by the Surface Transportation Board in Docket No. 33122, dated December 10, 1996).

Charter and Excursion Carrier Services in the state of Washington.