

SERVICE DATE - OCTOBER 23, 1997

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB No. MC-F-20908

PETER PAN BUS LINES, INC.--POOLING--GREYHOUND LINES, INC.

Decided: October 21, 1997

On May 20, 1997, applicants, Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc., of Springfield, MA, and Greyhound Lines, Inc., of Dallas, TX, jointly filed for approval under 49 U.S.C. 14302 of an operations and revenue pooling agreement to govern their motor passenger and express transportation service between New York, NY, and Washington, DC. Notice of the application was served and published in the Federal Register (62 FR 46400) on September 2, 1997. In addition, a copy of the notice was served on the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division (DOJ). Comments were due on October 2, 1997,¹ and applicants' rebuttal is due on October 22, 1997.

By letter filed on October 17, 1997, applicants request a 2-week extension from October 22, 1997, to November 5, 1997, to file their rebuttal. Applicants' counsel indicates that he has conferred with counsel for DOJ and that he is authorized to state that DOJ has no objection to the extension request. The extension request is reasonable and will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The comments of DOJ are accepted for filing.
2. Applicants' request for an extension of time to file their rebuttal is granted.
3. The due date for applicants' rebuttal is extended to November 5, 1997.
4. This decision is effective on the service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary

¹ DOJ tendered comments for filing on October 3, 1997. Acceptance of the filing one day beyond the due date has not delayed the processing of this pooling application and will not prejudice applicants. Accordingly, the comments will be accepted for filing.