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Decision No. 18049

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COM-PANY to abandon passenger bus service on Clearwater-Bellflower line. Rosemead Avenue-San Cabriel Line, and Del Mar - New Avenue line, in the county of Los Angeles, California.

APPLICATION NO. 10087.

C. W. Cornell, for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

In this proceeding the Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, seeks authority to abandon certain automotive passenger services established on February 9, 1924, under authority of Decision No. 13040 on Application No. 9405, and discontinued by authority of this Commission on July 1, 1924, because of rearrangement of applicant's electric service as a result of the acute power shortage existing at that time. Service has never been resumed on any of these lines. They were all shuttle services between stations on applicant's electric system.

A public hearing herein was conducted by Examiner Williams at Los Angeles.

The first line involved in the application is known as the Clearwater-Bellflower motor coach line, and applicant's

Exhibit No. 1 disclosed that for the five months of its operation the net loss, after allowing for depreciation, taxes and interest, amounted to \$3861.49. During the same period the out-of-pocket loss on the cost of operation was \$2791.61.

The second line sought to be abandoned is the Rosemead-San Gabriel line, which during the same period of five months sustained a net loss of \$4575.82. During this period the operating expenses amounted to an actual outlay of \$4257.14, while the operating revenue was only \$293.25, making a net out-of-pocket loss of \$3963.89.

The third line named in the application operated between Del Mar and New Avenue. During the five months of its operation this line produced a revenue of only one cent per bus mile traveled, while the average cost of operation per bus mile was 12 cents. Applicant's Exhibit No. 3 does not set up the actual figures showing operating expenses and revenue of this line, as in the other operations.

It was the testimony of Mr. O. A. Smith, passenger traffic manager of applicant corporation, that there is not now and never has been any demand for the resumption of these services, and that, if they were resumed, they would entail large losses and could not be made profitable.

No protest was entered from any source as to the granting of the application herein.

Since the discontinuance of these services was authorized, the public has had the through service of the Motor Transit Company available for the greater portion of the territory affected, and there has been no complaint to this Commission that this service has been inadequate.

We therefore find as a fact, upon the record herein, that public convenience and necessity no longer require operation of the motor coach lines named, and that the certificate authorizing said operation, granted in Decision No. 13040 on Application No. 9405, should be annualled. The order following will so provide.

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Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, having made application to the Railroad Commission for authority to abandon operation of its Clearwater-Bellflower motor coach line, its Rosemead-San Gabriel motor coach line and its Dol Mar-New Avenue motor coach line, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been duly submitted and now being ready for decision.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity no longer require operation by applicant Pacific Electric Railway Company of its Clearwater-Bellflower motor coach line, its Rosemend-San Gabriel motor coach line and its Del Mar - New Avenue motor coach line, over and along the following routes:

Clearwater-Bellflower Line: Commencing at State Street and Ocean Avenue (Clearwater), thence southerly along Ocean Avenue to Artesia Road, thence east along Artesia Road to Somerset Avenue, thence northerly along Somerset Avenue to Center Street.

Rosemezd-San Gabriel Line: Beginning at the intersection of Broadway and Junipero Street, south on Junipero Street to Mission Drive, westerly on Mission Drive to Santa Anita Street, northerly on Santa Anita Street to Broadway, east on Broadway to Rosemead-Avenue, south on Rosemead

Avenue to Rosemead Station (Pacific Electric Covina Line); thence northerly on Rosemead Avenue to New Street, west on New Street to San Julian Avenue, north on San Julian Avenue to Pomona Boulevard, west on Pomona Boulevard to Walnut Grove Avenue, scuth on Walnut Grove Avenue to New Street, west on New Street to San Gabriel Boulevard, south on San Gabriel Boulevard to San Gabriel Boulevard station (Pacific Electric Covina Line); thence morth on San Gabriel Boulevard to Broadway, thence westerly to point of beginning.

Del Mar-New Avenue line: Commencing at Mission Drive and Santa Anita Street, San Gabriel, thence northerly via Santa Anita Street to Broadway, thence easterly to Junipero Street, thence southerly to mission Drive, thence easterly to Del Mar Avenue, thence southerly to Graves Avenue, thence westerly to Jackson Avenue, thence northerly to Edwards Avenue, thence westerly to New Avenue, thence northerly to Pomona Boulevard (Ocean-to-Ocean highway), thence easterly to Del Mar Avenue, thence northerly to Mission Drive, thence westerly to Santa Anita Street, San Gabriel, point of beginning; and therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all that portion of the order in Decision No. 13040 on Application No. 9405 relating to operation by applicant Pacific Electric Railway Company of motor coach service over the above-named routes, and granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity therefor, be and the same hereby is revoked and rescinded.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that in all other respects said order in said Decision No. 13040 stand without modification.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

March Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of

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