

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 22461

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY and)
 LOS ANGELES RAILWAY CORPORATION for)
 certain exceptions from General Order) Application
 No.86, relative to the operations of) No.16551
 Los Angeles Motor Coach Company.)

BY THE COMMISSION -

OPINION and ORDER

This is an application by Pacific Electric Railway Company and Los Angeles Railway Corporation in their capacity as joint operators of motor buses under the name of Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, for an order of the Commission granting certain exceptions from the requirements of the Commission's General Order No.86 containing safety rules and operating regulations for automotive passenger stage corporations and transportation companies as such are defined by the Public Utilities Act and the Auto Stage and Truck Transportation Act.

Following are the exceptions and approval sought and the reasons advanced therefor:

Exception from Rule 1, Paragraph (G) - Windshield Wipers -
 Applicants' practice has been to remove wiper blades during the dry months - June 1st to September 30th, inclusive, thus minimizing theft of blades during period of non-use. Exception sought would permit continuance of this practice .

Exception from Rule 1, Paragraph (c) - Skid chains -
 Applicants claim skid chains are not required on certain equipment of double deck six wheel type, the wheels being tandem, and equipment fairly heavy.

Exception from Rule 12, seating of passengers forward of back of driver's seat - Exception sought only for double deck buses, which are so constructed that enforcement of rule would be impractical.

Exception from Rule 18, station facilities - Applicants claim operations are urban in character, making unnecessary stations or rest rooms.

Approval of Fire Extinguisher - Applicants now using fire extinguishers of one-quart size approved by the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that as the exceptions and approval sought are not unreasonable and are justified by the conditions as set forth by the applicants, the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the exceptions and approval prayed for by applicants in Application No. 16551 be and the same are hereby granted.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of May, 1930.

Clarence
Edwards

Thos. L. Lewis

COMMISSIONERS.