Decision No. <u>22939</u>

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application

No. 16661.

In the matter of the Application of) MOTOR TRANSIT COMPANY for an order) (1) authorizing it to reroute certain) of its automotive operations over new) and reconstructed highways in the San) Bernardino Mountains; (2) for a similar) order authorizing it to reroute a portion) of its operations near Seal Beach,) California; and (3) for authority to) merge said rerouted operations with all) portions of applicant's operations pre-) viously authorized to be merged.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION and ORDER

This is an application by Motor Transit Company, a corporation, for an order of the Commission authorizing it to re-route its automotive passenger stage and truck operations in the San Bernardino Mountains so as to enable it to operate over new and reconstructed highways. Applicant also asks for authority to re-route its operations between Long Beach and Santa Ana with particular reference to a part of Central Avenue, a part of Westminster Avenue and approximately half a mile on the Coast highway. The Commission is also asked to make its order granting applicant authority to follow new and re-located highways where a change will not affect tariff points of applicant.

Attached to the application herein and made a part thereof are four maps, marked Exhibits A, B, C, and D, showing the proposed changes. The rates of applicant are not affected by the proposed changes and the changes will not result in abandonment of service to existing tariff points.

The instant proceeding is in effect a request for authority to keep pace with highway construction work in territory served by applicant which work is resulting in the elimination of many grades and cruves and in many instances the shortening of routes between points served by the carrier, without any material effect on the service!

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Under the circumstances we are of the opinion that this application should be granted. It does not appear to be a matter in which a public hearing is necessary. Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the application of Motor Transit Company, a corporation, for authority to re-route its service for the transportation of passengers and property between the points and over the routes as shown by Exhibits A, B, C, and D, attached to the application herein be and the same is hereby granted, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER OFDERED that for the general operation of its system, on reconstruction or re-location of highways not affecting intermediate points, service of Motor Transit Company may follow said reconstructed or re-located highways provided, that when such change in highways is made said Motor Transit Company, shall notify the Commission in writing, said notice to be accompanied by a map showing the reconstructed or re-located highways proposed to be used.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the re-routings authorized herein shall be operated in connection with and as part of the general system of applicant and not as separate operating rights.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>3rd</u> day of <u>Colorus</u> 1930.

COMMISSIONERS.