

Decision No. 23057.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Application of Southern Pacific Company for authority to discontinue operation of Trains Nos. 901, 902, 903 and 904 between Stonehurst and Oakland Pier, Alameda County, California.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 16913.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on September 27, 1930, applied for authority to abandon and discontinue the operation of its passenger Trains Nos. 901, 902, 903 and 904, operating between Stonehurst and Oakland Pier, Alameda County, California. Applicant alleges that there is not sufficient patronage to warrant the continued operation of these trains and that the cost of operating said trains exceeds the earnings derived from said operations. It is also recited that Pacific Greyhound Lines propose to operate a passenger motor coach on approximately the same schedules between the stations of Melrose and Stonehurst in such a manner as to serve as near as may be practicable the stations beyond 47th Avenue now served by the trains it is proposed to discontinue; that Pacific Greyhound Lines will honor Southern Pacific Company tickets between Stonehurst and all points beyond 47th Avenue on the one hand and

Melrose on the other hand, and that said motor coach will connect with the Melrose Branch electric trains of Southern Pacific Company.

Applicant also proposes to file any optional routing tariffs necessary to make such tickets available on the stages of the Pacific Greyhound Lines.

It appears to the Commission that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary; that the substituted service will provide adequate transportation and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby granted authority to abandon and discontinue the operation of Trains Nos. 901, 902, 903 and 904, operated between Stonehurst and Oakland Pier, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall arrange to provide motor bus service on approximately the same schedules, connecting with Southern Pacific trains at Melrose and operating between Melrose and points beyond 47th Avenue now served by trains it is proposed to discontinue.
- (2) Applicant shall post notice in said trains of the contemplated change in service at least fifteen (15) days prior to the withdrawal of said trains, reciting therein the conditions under which this permission is granted.
- (3) Applicant shall file all necessary optional routing tariffs required to make tickets for transportation between these stations available on the motor coaches of the substituted service.
- (4) Should a protest against the withdrawal of said trains be filed which, in the opinion of the Commission, merits reopening this proceeding and setting the matter for hearing, applicant shall restore said trains until final determination of this matter.
- (5) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of the passenger service herein authorized and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date

hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of November, 1930.

C. L. Seaver

Thos. L. Lewis

W. J. Van
Commissioners.
