Decision No. 2222

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY,) a corporation, for authority to) abandon passenger service on its) West Basin Line in the County of) Los Angeles, California.)

APPLICATION NO. 17749

BY THE COMMISSION.

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OPINION_AND_ORDER

The above entitled application was filed by the Pacific Electric Railway Company on October 30, 1931, requesting authority to discontinue passenger service on its West Basin Line in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles.

The so-called West Basin Line of applicant operates between Wilmington and San Pedro, a distance of approximately four miles, around the west basin of the Los Angeles Harbor. At the present time, applicant operates two round trips daily over said line. A traffic check for the month of September, 1930, shows an average traffic of approximately 1.5 passengers per trip. The financial results of operation for said line, for the annual period ending September 30, 1931, show an operating revenue of \$93.12 and an out-of-pocket operating expense of \$1,065.76, or a net out-of-pocket loss of \$972.64. The two termini of said line, namely, San Pedro and Wilmington, will continue to be served by applicant's main Los Angeles-San Pedro Line. Applicant will continue to operate freight service over its West Basin Line.

The City Council of the City of Los Angeles, by resolution dated September 29, 1931, approved applicant's request for discontinuance of passenger service on its West Basin Line. After carefully considering the amount of traffic using said line and the financial results of operation, it appears that applicant's request is reasonable; that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application should be granted, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Facific Electric Railway Company be, and it is, hereby authorized to discontinue passenger service on its so-called West Basin Line, in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, over and along the following route:

> Beginning at junction with San Pedro Main Line at B Street, Wilmington, via West Basin Line to station at 5th Street, San Pedro,

subject, however, to the following conditions:

- Applicant shall notify the public of said discontinuance of passenger service, by posting notice of said discontinuance in the cars operating on said line and at all stations affected, at least ten (10) days prior to said discontinuance of service.
- (2) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the discontinuance of the service authorized herein, and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (3) 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 authority herein granted shall become effective on

the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this $23\frac{2}{3}$ day of

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