

Decision No. 24282.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application
of GUY C. LYONS, doing business
under the fictitious firm name
and style of the HIGHLAND TRANS-
PORTATION COMPANY, for authority
to discontinue service, and order
revoking the right to operate a
motor bus service between Miraleste
and San Pedro, County of Los Angeles,
State of California, known as the
San Pedro-Miraleste Line.

Application No. 17720.

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Royal S. Riddle for Applicant.

Leslie Mott for San Pedro Chamber of Commerce.

F. F. Ball for Board of Public Utilities and
Transportation of the City of Los Angeles.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Applicant, Guy C. Lyons, has been operating an automotive passenger stage service between San Pedro and Miraleste Tract, Palos Verdes Estates, under authority of a certificate granted by this Commission. Since its inception the line has been subsidized to the extent of \$150. a month by Palos Verdes Estates. The subsidy has now been withdrawn and applicant seeks authority to discontinue the service, finding it impossible to operate profitably without it.

A public hearing upon the above entitled matter was held before Examiner Johnson at San Pedro on November 10, 1931.

The only testimony introduced was that of the applicant, who supported all the allegations of his petition. He stated

that the growth of the community was slight since he started operating the bus line, in October 1928, only eight homes having been constructed there during the three years of his operation. The first year of his operation he did better than in 1930 or 1931. During the last two years of his operation the average receipts, aside from the subsidy, were little better than \$12. per month, whereas his expense of operation he estimated at 18 cents a mile, or \$276.48 per month. He testified that there were only 18 families occupying the 19 houses erected in the Palos Verdes Tract, and that each of the 18 families had more than one car, except that one family had a single car.

A representative of the Chamber of Commerce of San Pedro stated that he had called a meeting of all those interested, including the property owners of the Palos Verdes Tract, for the previous day and that no one had attended. A representative of the Los Angeles Board of Public Utilities stated that in event the evidence indicates this line is operating at a loss, the Board had no objection to a discontinuance thereof.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been had, and the matter having been submitted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Guy C. Lyons, doing business under the fictitious firm name and style of the Highland Transportation Company, be authorized to discontinue service between San Pedro and Miraleste, and the operating right heretofore granted to said Guy C. Lyons by C. R. C. Decisions No. 20414 and No. 20629, both issued on Application No. 15045, authorizing

said service is hereby revoked.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall file supplements to tariffs and time schedules covering the service herein authorized to be discontinued canceling said tariffs and time schedules, said supplements to be effective five (5) days from the date of the order herein.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of December, 1931.

C. C. Jannet
Leon A. Kelly
M. J. Lee
W. B. Harris
Fred G. Stewart
Commissioners.