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Decision No. 7636

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the application
of the COMPTON TRANSPORTATION COM-
PANY, a corporation, for a certifi-
cate of public convenience and neces-
sity to extend their operation from
Huntington Park, California, to Los
Angeles, California.

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) Application No. 5490.
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E. W. Kidd for applicant.
S. W. Thompson for United Stages.
Frank Karr and O. A. Smith for
Pacific Electric Railway Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Compton Transportation Company applies
for authority to extend its service from Huntington Park
to Los Angeles.

A public hearing was held upon the applica-
tion by Examiner Westover at Los Angeles.

Applicant now operates between Long Beach
and the southeasterly city limits of Los Angeles via Long Beach
Boulevard through Los Cerritos, Compton Cross Roads, Lynwood,
Huntington Park and other points. At the terminus of its line
on Slauson Avenue at the prolongation of Alameda Street, being
the Los Angeles city limits, its passengers for Los Angeles are
at present transferred to the White Bus Line, which, since the

first hearing upon the application has changed its name to Motor Transit Company. The latter company carries these passengers between the point mentioned and its terminal at Fifth and Los Angeles Streets, Los Angeles, in each direction, free of charge to passengers or to applicant. There appears to be no division of rates between the two companies. The free service is said to be temporary, pending decision herein. The present rate charged by Compton Transportation Company between its terminals at Slauson Avenue, Huntington Park and Long Beach is the same as the proposed through rate which it proposes to charge for transportation between Long Beach and Fifth and Los Angeles Streets, Los Angeles.

The operation of the free White Bus service being wholly within the city of Los Angeles is under authority of the Board of Public Utilities of that city. Application to extend the Long Beach service to the business district of Los Angeles is made to this Commission because it is interurban.

The present terminus of applicant at Slauson Avenue, the dividing line between Los Angeles and Huntington Park, is very near the cars of the Los Angeles Railway and the route of applicant's stages is crossed by the Pacific Electric's Whittier line at Huntington Park and by its Santa Ana line at Lynwood. These are the principal centers of population along the Boulevard over which applicant's stages are operated.

It is apparent that there are at present ample transportation facilities from the northerly terminus of applicant's line to the business district of Los Angeles with liberal transfer privileges to various parts of the city. If applicant wishes to make its present and proposed rates apply via existing

car lines it can readily make the necessary adjustment.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held upon the above application and the matter having been submitted and being now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity do not require that Compton Transportation Company operate automobile passenger stages between Huntington Park and the business district of Los Angeles.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above and foregoing application be and it is hereby denied.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this
27th day of May, 1920.

Edwin O. Edgerton
H. D. Leonard
Frank C. Wheeler
Dwight Matthews
Commissioners.