

Decision No. 32483

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES, a corpora-  
tion, for an optional route between  
Waddel Creek and Davenport, via new  
State Highway.

} Application No. 23022

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application, Pacific Greyhound Lines requests an order of the Commission, (1) authorizing a rerouting of its service between Waddel Creek and Davenport, via State Route No. 56, as newly relocated between such points; (2) authorizing the elimination of the tariff points of Swanton and Belvedere Ranch located on the old State Route No. 56, between Waddel Creek and Davenport; and (3) redefining applicants operative right between San Francisco and Davenport.

As justification for the authority sought, applicant alleges substantially as follows:

1. In the relocation of State Highway 56 between Waddel Creek and Davenport, there is no tortuous grade to be encountered as over Gianore Hill on the former State Highway. The new highway is on an excellent alignment along the ocean bluffs, and affords a saving of 1.6 miles in distance, as a consequence of which in applicant's operation there will be a considerable saving in time, as well as increased safety of operation and travel comfort for passengers.

2. There are two tariff points involved on the old route, namely, Swanton and Belvedere Ranch. In the entire territory involved, during the four months period of April, May, June and July, 1939, there were but 8 passengers handled. No passengers were transported either to or from Belvedere Ranch.

Applicant transports United States mail under Star Route contract on its passenger schedules for delivery to certain points on the old route. The Post Office Department under this contract will require operation in one direction over the old route for which reason it is desired to retain the authority to operate over the old route as an optional route. The number of passengers handled to and from the territory on the old route is such that continued operation via that route is not warranted and will be required only on such schedules as handle mail.

In the order of Decision No. 30063 the routes between San Francisco and Davenport were not properly described insofar as the portions between San Francisco and Colma and Edgemar were concerned. It is, therefore, requested that routes between San Francisco and Davenport be redefined as herein requested to correct this error.

This is not a matter requiring a public hearing. In general, the request appears to be in the public interest, but applicant's request for authority to eliminate the tariff points of Swanton and Belvedere Ranch do not appear to be consistent with its request to continue the transportation of passengers over the

old route in conjunction with its contract operation with the Post Office Department for the transportation of United States mail. It will therefore be expected that applicant will continue to provide service on the schedule transporting United States mail over the old route between Waddel and Davenport.

### O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Pacific Greyhound Lines in its operations between Waddel Creek and Davenport may use the newly relocated State Route No. 56 instead of the old route via Swanton and Belvedere Ranch, for all schedules operating between Waddel Creek and Davenport, except those transporting United States mail under contract with the United States Post Office Department.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first paragraph numbered 1 of the declaration of the order of Decision No. 30063, dated August 23, 1937, on Application No. 21409, appearing at sheet 5 thereof, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Between San Francisco and Davenport over the following routes:
  - (a) Between junction of Skyline Boulevard (State Route 55) and Coast Side Highway (State Route 56) and Davenport via State Route 56 through Edgemar, Sharps Park, Half Moon Bay, San Gregorio, Pescadero, and Waddel Creek, using the old State Highway via Swanton between Waddel Creek and Davenport, for only those schedules transporting United States mail under contract with the United States Post Office Department.
  - (b) Between Colma and Edgemar via County Highway.

This order is subject to the condition that applicant shall within thirty (30) days publish and file with the Railroad Commission, or not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, tariffs and time schedules giving effect to the rerouting herein authorized.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1939.

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