

Decision No. 32703

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application  
of:

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY,  
a corporation, for an order granting  
permission to increase and adjust  
passenger rates and fares for the  
transportation of persons between  
points in the State of California;

) APPLICATION  
NO. 21658.

MOTOR TRANSIT COMPANY, a corpora-  
tion, for an order granting per-  
mission to increase and adjust passenger  
rates and fares for the transportation  
of persons between points in the State  
of California;

LOS ANGELES MOTOR COACH COMPANY for  
an order granting permission to  
increase and adjust certain passen-  
ger rates and fares for the transpor-  
tation of persons between points in  
the State of California, to conform  
to any increases that may be granted  
to Pacific Electric Railway Company,  
so that the parallel rates affected may  
be equalized and in harmony.

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- - - - - In the Matter of the Application of:

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a  
corporation, for permission to make  
certain changes in its rail system, in-  
cluding abandonments of certain portions  
of its railway lines and discontinuance  
or reduction in rail passenger service  
on certain other portions of its railway  
system;

) APPLICATION  
NO. 23053

) FORTIETH SUPPLEMENT-  
AL APPLICATION  
NO. 17984.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a  
corporation, for an in lieu certificate  
of public convenience and necessity.

In the Matter of the application )  
of: )  
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, )  
a corporation, and LOS ANGELES )  
RAILWAY CORPORATION, a corporation, )  
for an in lieu certificate for their )  
jointly operated motor coach lines. )  
----- ) EIGHTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION NO. 18820.  
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PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, )  
a corporation, and LOS ANGELES RAIL- )  
WAY CORPORATION, a corporation, for )  
an in lieu certificate for their )  
jointly operated motor coach lines. )  
----- ) NINETEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION NO. 18820.

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RILEY, COMMISSIONER:

INTERIM ORDER

On December 5, 1939, this Commission by Interim Order Decision No. 32599 disposed of certain portions of the matters involved in the above-entitled proceedings, reserving final decision until submission of all the issues under consideration.

That Interim Order granted Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to Pacific Electric Railway Company for the establishment of motor coach lines for transportation of passengers and baggage, some serving new territory and others in substitution of existing rail passenger service; authorized abandonment of passenger service on certain rail lines, and of all-rail service and facilities on others; and ordered a general adjustment in passenger fares on a system-wide basis with a few exceptions, in accordance with recommendations made by the Commission's engineers. In addition thereto, the order also prescribed a change in the Hollywood-Long Beach-San Pedro motor coach line of the Los Angeles Motor Coach Company.

Prior to issuance of the order an investigation was instituted upon the Commission's own motion<sup>(1)</sup> embracing the entire Los Angeles local passenger transportation situation involving the Los Angeles Railway Corporation, Los Angeles Motor Coach Company and local operations of Pacific Electric Railway Company, primarily for the purpose of studying the local passenger fare structure in the City of Los Angeles and adjacent communities. That

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(1) Case No. 4461, an investigation upon the Commission's own motion, filed October 17, 1939, covering all local fares, service, operations and facilities of Los Angeles Railway Corporation, Los Angeles Motor Coach Company and Pacific Electric Railway Company.

study is now in progress and will not be completed for several months.

A close relationship exists between the fare structure prescribed by the Interim Order as applying to the local, suburban and interurban operations of Pacific Electric Railway Company and the fares now in effect on the local lines of the Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, involving in certain instances joint fares, and in others a parity of fares where more than one carrier provides service to a common area. At other points on the system, where suburban and interurban lines of Pacific Electric Railway Company provide local service, it is necessary that local fares be superimposed upon the suburban and interurban fares.

In order to prevent the introduction of inconsistencies between the fare structure of Pacific Electric Railway Company and those of other carriers serving contiguous territory, particularly in the Los Angeles local area now under investigation, it has been deemed desirable to issue this Interim Order in advance of final disposition of those matters embraced by the above-entitled applications and in advance of final disposition of the Los Angeles local passenger transportation investigation, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company establish within thirty days from the effective date of this order, upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, tariffs containing the following fares in addition to the fares ordered in Decision No. 52599, said fares prescribed herein to supersede and render null and void all fares ordered in the aforementioned decision wherein the provisions of that order are in conflict with the provisions hereof.

1. Establish a 7-cent fare to apply on either the motor coach lines or the rail lines, or both, where operated in parallel between the same points, as follows:
  - (a) Between San Bernardino and Mount Vernon Avenue

- (b) Between San Bernardino and Santa Ana River
  - (c) Between San Bernardino and Bench
  - (d) Between Colton and Bethune
  - (e) Between Riverside and Casa Blanca
  - (f) Between Arlington and Casa Blanca
2. Restrict 30-ride commutation tickets to individual use with no such restriction on the 10-ride commutation tickets.
  3. Expand area of application of joint fares with Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Los Angeles Motor Coach Company to include the extended Los Angeles local Zone 3 as established by Decision No. 32599 and by the provisions of this order.
  4. Expand Los Angeles local Zone 3 to include:
    - a. That portion of the Santa Monica via Beverly Hills Line from the present Zone 2 limit at West Boulevard, westward to Fairfax Avenue.
    - b. That portion of the Glendale-Burbank Line from the present Zone 2 limit at Monte Sano, north to San Fernando Road.
    - c. That portion of the Venice Boulevard Line from the present Zone 2 limit at West Boulevard, westward to Cenesee Street.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Los Angeles Motor Coach Company establish within thirty days from the effective date of this order, upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, tariffs containing the following fares, in addition to the fares ordered in Decision No. 32599, said fares prescribed herein to supersede and render null and void all fares ordered in the aforementioned decision wherein the provisions of that order are in conflict with the provisions hereof.

1. Discontinue the existing 25 cent round-trip fare applying between Zones "B" and "C" on the Sunset Boulevard Line and on the Fairfax Avenue Line.
2. Establish a 10-ride commutation ticket at \$1.35 applying between Los Angeles and Beverly Hills.
3. Expand Los Angeles local Zone "A" (Hollywood) to include:
  - a. That portion of the Sunset Boulevard Line from its present limit at La Brea Avenue, westward to Fairfax Avenue.

- b. That portion of the Fairfax Avenue Line from its present limit at Sunset Boulevard and La Brea Avenue, westward, to include those portions of the route along Sunset Boulevard to Fairfax Avenue and along Fairfax Avenue to Beverly Boulevard.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the ten-day limit for filing and placing in effect of tariffs, as prescribed in Condition No. 2, commencing on page 49 of Decision No. 32599, be reduced to five days.

In all other respects than those specifically pointed out herein, the order in Decision No. 32599 shall remain in effect.

The Commission reserves the right to make such further order or orders in this proceeding as may appear just and reasonable and to revoke this authority if, in its opinion, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

The foregoing Interim Order is hereby approved and ordered filed as the Interim Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 1940.

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