Decision No. 33609

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 operation and tracks on Third Street and Pine Avenue in the City of Long Beach.

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Application No. 23705.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Pacific Electric Railway Company, on September 19, 1940, applied for permission to abandon service and remove certain trackage on Third Street, between the Los Angeles County Flood Control Channel and Pine Avenue, and on Pine Avenue between Third Street and Ocean Boulevard, all in the City of Long Beach, of a total length of 5144 feet, more or less.

By Decision No. 32830, dated February 20, 1940, in Application No. 23053, applicant was authorized to abandon practically all of its local lines in the City of Long Beach. No request was made in that proceeding for the abandonment of the section of line involved herein, because the City of Long Beach did not at that time permit applicant to turn cars, operating in the Long Beach-San Pedro service, at its switch located in East Ocean Boulevard between Locust and Pine Avenues, and the trackage was necessary for service in one direction between Long Beach and San Pedro. It now appears, however, that the City of Long Beach has assumed a different attitude and has directed applicant to turn its cars at the switch located at the above described point. Further than this, the Bureau of Franchises and Public Utilities of the City of Long Beach, through its Order

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No. 1003, has directed Pacific Electric Railway Company to secure such authority as is necessary to abandon its facilities on West Third Street and Pine Avenue.

It appears that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to discontinue service and abandon its tracks on Third Street and Pine Avenue, in the City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles, as shown in yellow on the map (C.E.H. 16458), attached to the application, and more particularly described as follows:

> A single track Electric Railroad commencing at a connection with the Long Beach-Wilmington Line at a point on east side of Los Angeles County Flood Control Channel near Crescent Avenue, City of Long Boach; then southeasterly on Crescent Avenue to Third Street; thence easterly on Third Street to Pine Avenue; thence southerly on Pine Avenue to connection with Long Beach Line on Ocean Boulevard at Pine Avenue, a distance of 0.97 miles more or less.

Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of the facilities authorized herein and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

Suitable notices, advising the public of the rerouting of the service between Long Beach and San Pedro, shall be carried in the cars operating on this line at least five (5) days prior to effecting the rerouting as authorized herein.

The suthorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one year from the date hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Qe Dated at San Francisco, 1940. Commissioners.