

Decision No. 30710

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
THE GRAY LINE INC., a corporation,)
to lease to PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES,)
a corporation, the certificate of)
public convenience and necessity)
authorizing passenger stage operation)
between San Francisco, Muir Woods)
and Mt. Tamalpais, California.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 23988

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

By the above-entitled joint application authority is sought for The Gray Line Inc. to lease its certificated passenger stage rights between San Francisco, Mill Valley, Muir Woods and Mt. Tamalpais to Pacific Greyhound Lines. Amendment of such rights is requested, also, to permit operation between Dolan's Corner and Muir Woods Junction as an optional route.

The Gray Line Inc. is primarily engaged in the sight-seeing business. However, by Decision No. 30710, in Application No. 21780, it was authorized to acquire the passenger stage operative rights granted to Mr. A. L. Stewart by Decisions Nos. 27561 and 30559, in Application No. 19660. The rights thus acquired permitted the transportation of passengers, baggage and express between San Francisco, Mill Valley, Muir Woods, Mt. Tamalpais and intermediate points, subject to the restriction that no passengers or baggage having both points of origin and destination between San Francisco and Mill Valley shall be transported. The service rendered by The Gray Line Inc. pursuant to such rights is on-call and is used principally by hikers who desire transportation to or from some point along the route. Apparently, the only demand for service is on week-ends and on holidays.

Pacific Greyhound Lines now operates passenger stage service in Marin County. On March 1, 1941, Northwestern Pacific Railroad will cease its passenger train operations in Marin County which will be supplanted by a complete service of Pacific Greyhound Lines.

It is alleged in the application that since the discontinuance of train and ferry service to Sausalito there have been a great number of Sunday visitors, particularly hikers travelling to Mill Valley, who desire transportation from Mill Valley to Muir Woods and points on Mt. Tamalpais. It is stated that because of its existing operations and facilities Pacific Greyhound Lines will be in a better position than The Gray Line Inc. to render such service.

The optional route is sought because that presently used from Mill Valley to Muir Woods Junction leads over city streets which are narrow, circuitous and winding. It is asserted that a more satisfactory operation can be conducted via State Highway No. 56 and Panoramic Drive, between Dolan's Corner and Muir Woods Junction.

There are no common carriers other than applicants authorized to render service in the territory in question. Inasmuch as it appears that there is a need for the service here involved and The Gray Line Inc. is willing to lease its rights to Pacific Greyhound Lines for a three-year period, the application will be granted. However, as the granting of this application will require amendment of the existing certificate of The Gray Line Inc. its rights will be restated and a new certificate granted. This does not appear to be a matter in which a public hearing is necessary.

O R D E R

The Commission having considered Application No. 23988 and the evidence pertaining thereto, and being fully apprised in the premises, and it being found as a fact that public convenience and necessity so require:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate be and it is granted hereby to The Gray Line Inc. to operate an automotive passenger stage service, as that term is defined in section 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers, baggage and express between San Francisco, Mill Valley, Muir Woods, Mt. Tamalpais and intermediate points, subject to the restriction that no passengers or baggage having both points of origin and destination between San Francisco and Mill Valley shall be transported.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of said passenger stage service pursuant to the foregoing certificate The Gray Line Inc. shall comply with, and observe, the following service regulations:

1. File written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof.
2. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time by further order, The Gray Line Inc. shall conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the following described routes:

Commencing at the Pacific Greyhound Lines' depot at Fifth and Mission Streets in the city of San Francisco; then proceeding along Mission Street to Sixth Street; Sixth Street to Golden Gate Avenue; Golden Gate Avenue to Van Ness Avenue; Van Ness Avenue to Lombard Street; Lombard Street to Richardson Avenue, Richardson Avenue to and over the Golden Gate Bridge approaches; then over the Golden Gate Bridge, leaving San Francisco on said bridge at the County Line;

Or commencing at the Pacific Greyhound Lines' terminal located between Sacramento and Halleck Streets on Sansome Street in the city of San Francisco; then proceeding either along Halleck or Sacramento Street to Sansome Street; Sansome Street to Embarcadero Street; Embarcadero Street to Bay Street; Bay Street to Van Ness Avenue; Van Ness Avenue to Lombard Street; Lombard Street to Richardson Avenue; Richardson Avenue to and over the Golden Gate Bridge approaches; then over the Golden Gate Bridge, leaving San Francisco on said bridge at the County Line;

Then proceeding generally along U.S. Highway No. 101 direct to Waldo Junction; or through the city of Sausalito to Waldo Junction, to Manzanita Wye; then generally along State Highway No. 56 to Dolan's Corner; then via Alto Highway to Tamalpais High School; then along Miller Avenue through the city of Mill Valley; then to Muir Woods Junction, generally along Throckmorton Avenue, Cascade Drive, Molino Avenue, Birch Street, Edgewood Avenue and Panoramic Drive; then to Mt. Tamalpais Toll Gate and Mt. Tamalpais via Panoramic Drive, Ridge Crest Road and Mt. Tamalpais Toll Road, with an alternate route between Dolan's Corner and Muir Woods Junction via State Highway No. 56 and Panoramic Drive; then to Muir Woods via Muir Woods Highway; with the option to use any appropriate route or routes within and immediately adjacent to Sausalito and Mill Valley; then returning over the reverse of the above routes to the Golden Gate Bridge;

And entering the city of San Francisco thereon at the County Line; then along the Golden Gate Bridge approaches to Richardson Avenue; Richardson Avenue to Lombard Street; Lombard Street to Van Ness Avenue; Van Ness Avenue to Golden Gate Avenue; Golden Gate Avenue to Sixth Street; Sixth Street to Mission Street; Mission Street to Mint Street; Mint Street to Jessie Street; Jessie Street to the Pacific Greyhound Lines' depot at Fifth and Mission Streets;

Or entering the city of San Francisco on the Golden Gate Bridge at the County Line; then along the Golden Gate Bridge approaches to Richardson Avenue; Richardson Avenue to Lombard Street; Lombard Street to Van Ness Avenue; Van Ness Avenue to Bay Street; Bay Street to Embarcadero Street; Embarcadero Street to Battery Street; Battery Street to Sacramento or Halleck Streets; Sacramento or Halleck Streets to the Pacific Greyhound Lines' terminal on Sansome Street.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that The Gray Line Inc. is authorized to lease the foregoing certificate to Pacific Greyhound Lines for a period of three years from the effective date of this

order and Pacific Greyhound Lines is authorized to operate said passenger stage service pursuant to said certificate for the term of said lease.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Greyhound Lines when exercising the authority above granted shall comply with, and observe, the following service regulations:

1. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time by further order, Pacific Greyhound Lines shall conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the same routes The Gray Line Inc. is authorized to employ as described hereinabove.
2. File, in triplicate, within sixty (60) days from the date of this order and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, a supplement to the tariffs now on file with the Commission in the name of The Gray Line Inc., doing business as Mt. Tamalpais and Muir Woods Transportation Co., showing the withdrawal of The Gray Line Inc. and the adoption and establishment of such tariffs by Pacific Greyhound Lines as its own.
3. File, in triplicate, and make effective within a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order, on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, time schedules covering the service herein authorized in a form satisfactory to this Commission.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 25th day of February 1941.

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Justin J. Calmes
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COMMISSIONERS