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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application No. 24204

In the Matter of the Joint Application of) PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES, a corporation,) to sell and B. D. BLACKWOOD, doing busi-) ness as ST. MARYS-MORAGA-ORINDA BUS LINE,) to purchase certain passenger stage oper-) ative rights for the transportation of) passengers, baggage and express between) Orinda and Lafayette via St. Mary's) College.)

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BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>o p i n i o n</u>

By the above-entitled application Pacific Greyhound Lines seeks permission to sell and B. D. Blackwood, doing business as St. Marys-Moraga-Orinda Bus Line, requests authority to acquire. an operative right for the transportation of passengers, baggage and shipments of express weighing not to exceed 100 pounds each, between Orinda and Lafayette and intermediate points, over and along the route via Orinda Corners, Moraga and St. Mary's College.

The operative right involved in this proceeding was acquired by Pacific Greyhound Lines under the authority of the Commission's Decision No. 33823, in Application No. 23927. The consideration involved is the nominal sum of one dollar.

As justification for the authority sought, it is alleged substantially as follows:

The route between Orinda Corners and Lafayette via Moraga and St. Mary's College is a circuitous route, involving as it does a distance of 10.4 miles as compared with 4.1 miles via the direct route. Service via St. Mary's College can only be performed by diverting

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schedules from the main route, resulting in unnecessary delay to passengers destined to points on the main route beyond Orinda Corners and Lafayette.

In order to serve the community of Orinda, it is necessary to divert schedules from the main route at Orinda Corners, making the side trip to Orinda and back over the same road, involving a distance of 1.4 miles and a delay of approximately four minutes.

Under the plan of the proposed operation, applicant B. D. Blackwood will perform the service between Orinda and Orinda Corners, connecting with Greyhound schedules at that point; also the service between Lafayette and Orinda Corners via St. Mary's College connecting with Greyhound schedules at Orinda Corners. Applicant B. D. Blackwood is engaged in the school bus transportation business in this territory and can handle the proposed service in conjunction with his school bus operation.

Applicant Pacific Greyhound Lines has advised that the proposal to transfer the operative right involved has been discussed with the officers of St. Mary's College who indicated their approval of such proposal.

Full consideration has been given to this matter. The Commission is of the opinion that a public hearing is unnecessary and that public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

(1) That Pacific Greyhound Lines, a corporation, is hereby authorized to transfer to B. D. Blackwood a passenger stage operative right for the transportation of passengers, baggage and shipments of express weighing not to exceed one hundred (100) pounds each in passenger vehicles between Orinda and Lafayette and intermediate points via Orinda Corners, Moraga and St. Mary's College, and B. D. Blackwood is hereby authorized to acquire such

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operative right and hereafter to operate thereunder.

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(2) Applicants Pacific Greyhound Lines and B. D. Blackwood shall comply with Rule 9 of General Orders Nos. 79 and 80 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing tariffs and time schedules in triplicate within sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

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

Dated at dan dinances cy California, this Z of <u>Man</u>, 1941.

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