

Decision No. 34572

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of GUY )  
O. DUTTON, an individual, doing business )  
under the style and business name of )  
HARBOR TRANSIT, for certificate of public )  
convenience and necessity to operate a )  
passenger, express and mail automotive bus )  
service between Silver Strand Beach, )  
Hollywood Beach, Port Hueneme and Oxnard )  
and intermediate points between Silver Strand )  
Beach, Port Hueneme and Oxnard, California. )

Application  
No. 24307

ORIGINAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Guy O. Dutton, an individual, operating under the name and style of Harbor Transit, herein seeks authority to establish and operate an automotive service as a common carrier of passengers, express and mail between Oxnard and Hollywood Beach and intermediate points via Hueneme, Port Hueneme and Silver Strand Beach.

Applicant Dutton is a partner in the firm of Dutton and Metcalf, Packard agency and garage operators of Oxnard, and appears financially able to establish the proposed service.

Daily scheduled service on an hourly basis is proposed over the 19.2 mile run between approximately 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. One 20-passenger G.M.C. motor coach will be placed in service initially, with additional equipment provided as traffic demands warrant. One-way fares of from 5 to 15 cents are proposed and, in addition, a 20-trip ticket, good for thirty days, will be issued.

As justification for the granting of the authority sought applicant alleges generally that there are no public transportation facilities now available between the points proposed to be served, which encompass a territory with a population in excess of 10,000 persons. Specifically, it is alleged, in substance, that:

Eight thousand residents of the City of Oxnard have no public means of transportation to the beaches proposed to be served nor to Port Hueneme, at Hueneme Township. Two thousand residents of Silver Strand Beach, Hollywood-by-the-Sea Beach and Hollywood Beach and two thousand residents of the Township of Port Hueneme and adjacent area have no means of public transportation to the nearest shopping and business center which is Oxnard, California. There has been established a port at the Township of Hueneme known as Port Hueneme, which development has brought and will bring, in the future, some thousands of new residents to the area proposed to be served, to-wit:

1. One cannery employing 200 persons now under construction and three more of like size contemplated.
2. One small shipyard under construction, employing an indeterminate number of persons, and another large one anticipated.
3. A United States Government Maritime Commission School will be completed in September, 1941, which will have a complement of 320 officials, instructors and students.
4. Two hundred and fifty citrus workers employed in the Township of Port Hueneme.
5. One hundred and ten pleasure crafts moored at Port Hueneme, owned and served by an indeterminate number of persons.
6. Lumber schooners and other commercial craft which dock at Port Hueneme on the average of once a week with no public transportation for their crews.
7. Fifty commercial fishermen operating in, around and about the Harbor of Port Hueneme, whose number, with the advent of more canneries, will be increased manyfold.
8. One hundred construction workers employed in and about Port Hueneme.
9. One hundred miscellaneous workers, truck drivers, mechanics, salesmen and employees of Harbor concessions employed in and about the Harbor.

Although primarily seeking authority to transport passengers, applicant also is asking for the right to transport express limited to shipments of one hundred (100) pounds or less on his passenger vehicles, which will be adapted to handle such matter.

In summary, it appears that an immediate and definite public need appears to exist for the establishment of a common carrier automotive service for the transportation of passengers particularly, and that the granting of authority for the incidental transportation of express matter, as described, is also justified.

Under the circumstances outlined it would appear that: (a) the application should be granted and (b) a public hearing does not appear necessary in the premises.

The following order will so provide.

O R D E R

The above-entitled matter having been duly considered and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Guy C. Dutton, an individual, doing business as Harbor Transit, for the establishment and operation of an automotive service for the transportation of passengers and express, limited to shipments of one hundred (100) pounds or less on passenger vehicles only, as a passenger stage corporation, as such is defined in Section 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Public

Utilities Act, between Oxnard and Hollywood Beach and intermediate points via Hueneme, Port Hueneme and Silver Strand Beach.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in the operation of said passenger stage service, Guy C. Dutton shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

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

Leave Silver Strand Beach, Ventura County (East Beach), and proceed along Ocean Drive through Silver Strand Beach, Hollywood-By-The-Sea Beach, two (2) miles to Hollywood Beach (West Beach). Make turn and proceed back along Ocean Drive to Hollywood-By-The-Sea Beach and turn left on Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood-By-The-Sea Beach, Ventura County. Proceed easterly on Hollywood Boulevard to Lehmann Road. Easterly on Lehmann Road to Patterson Road and turn right on to Patterson Road. Southerly on Patterson Road to Pleasant Valley Road. Turn left on to Pleasant Valley Road to Ponomo Street, Township of Port Hueneme, Ventura County. Turn right on to Ponomo Street to Clara Street in said Township. Turn left on Clara Street to Pacific Street. Turn left on Pacific Street to Main Street. Turn left on to Main Street to Market Street. Township of Hueneme terminus being on Market Street, a distance of 3-7/10ths miles from West Beach terminus. Proceed northerly on Market Street to Broad Street, Township of Port Hueneme. Turn right on to Broad Street. Proceed easterly on Broad Street to Hueneme Road. Proceed easterly on Hueneme Road to intersection of Hueneme Road and Saviers Road. Turn left on to Saviers Road. Proceed northerly on Saviers Road to Oxnard Boulevard, City of Oxnard, Ventura County. Proceed northerly on Oxnard Boulevard to Fourth Street. Turn left on to Fourth Street. Oxnard terminus being located on Fourth Street between Oxnard Boulevard and "A" Streets. Distance between Township of Hueneme terminus and Oxnard terminus being five (5) miles. Proceed westerly on Fourth Street to "B" Street, City of Oxnard. Turn left on to "B" Street. Proceed southerly on "B" Street to Fifth Street. Turn left on to Fifth Street, City of Oxnard. Proceed easterly on Fifth Street to Oxnard Boulevard. Turn right on Oxnard Boulevard and thence back to East Beach terminus, point of beginning, over same route.

3. Comply with the provisions of the Commission's General Order No. 79 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 ten (10) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1941.

[Signature]  
Ray & King  
Justus F. Coe  
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COMMISSIONERS