Decision No. 26460

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SANTA MARIA BUS LINE, a corporation, for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger service between Santa Maria and Santa Maria Air Base.

Application No. 25484

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

Santa Maria Bus Line, a corporation, requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a service as a passenger stage corporation, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, between Santa Maria and the Santa Maria Air Base, located approximately seven and one-half miles southwesterly of Santa Maria.

The application shows that the Santa Maria Air Base has just been completed and is in the process of being occupied by the United States Army. The Army authorities propose to employ a large number of civilian workers in the camp and is at the present time employing civilians at the rate of approximately one hundred a day. In addition to the civilian employees at said Camp there will be a large military personnel. A great many of the civilian employees reside in Santa Maria and there is no present means of transportation between Santa Maria and said Base except Pacific Greyhound Lines. It is further alleged that the number of military and civilian personnel who will use transportation between said Air Base and Santa Maria will require the service applied for herein, in addition to that now being

rendered by the Pacific Greyhound Lines.

Applicant proposes to charge 20 cents for each one-way trip. A commute ticket good for fifty one-way trips within thirty days would be sold for \$7.50. Schedules would be arranged in accordance with the public need.

After full consideration of applicant's request it appears that public convenience and necessity require the proposed service and an order will be issued accordingly.

This does not appear to be a matter that requires a public hearing.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to the Santa Maria Bus Line, a corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of a transportation service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in section 2½ of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, between Santa Maria and the Santa Maria Air Base, California, provided that

Santa Maria Bus Line, its successors or assigns, may never claim before this Commission or any court or other public body, a value, for any purpose, for the certificate herein granted in excess of the actual cost incurred by it in securing said operative right.

The authority hereby granted shall terminate six months after the termination of the National Emergency, unless otherwise extended by order of the Railroad Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of service pursuant to the foregoing certificate, Santa Maria Bus Line shall

comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the effective date hereof.
- 2. Applicant shall comply with the rules of the Commission's General Order No. 79 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing in triplicate and concurrently making effective, tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and on not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and the public.
- 3. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify them at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct said passenger stage operations over and along the following route:

Commencing at the Greyhound Depot at Main and McClelland Streets in Santa Maria, west on Main Street to the intersection of Main and Broadway (U.S. Highway No. 101), south on U.S. Highway No. 101 to the intersection of the Santa Maria-Orcutt Highway, south on the Santa Maria-Orcutt Highway to entrance of Santa Maria Air Base.

The effective date of this order shall be the date

hereof.

Dated at law transion, California, this 16 the

COMMISSIONERS