Decision No. 36530

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PIONEER EXPRESS COMPANY, a corporation for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to operate as a highway common carrier only for the transportation of express matter for Intercity Transport Lines, Inc., between San Francisco, on the one hand, and Oakland, Emeryville, Berkeley, Piedmont, San Leandro and Alameda, on the other.

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Application No. 23456

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

By its application filed May 1, 1940, in this proceeding, Pioneer Express Company, a corporation, sought a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing operation as a highway common carrier, as defined by Section 2-3/4, Public Utilities Act, limited to the performance of service as an underlying carrier for Intercity Transport Lines, Inc., an express corporation, between San Francisco, on the one hand, and Oakland, Emeryville, Berkeley, Piedmont, San Leandro and Alameda, on the other hand. This was designed to facilitate the transportation of express traffic by Intercity Transport Lines, Inc. between the East Bay points mentioned. on the one hand, and, on the other hand, (a) points between San Francisco and San Jose, inclusive, and (b) points within the counties of Mendocino, Humboldt, Del Norte, Trinity and Siskiyou. This traffic it was alleged, moved from Oakland to San Jose over highways bordering the easterly side of San Francisco Bay, and thence north to peninsula points, and to points north of San Francisco reached by the Redwood Highway. To avoid the circuitous route around the Bay, applicant sought permission to operate over the San Francisco Bay Bridge between East, Bay points and San Francisco.

The Commission having been apprised by some of the existing transbay highway carriers that they would oppose the granting of the application, a public hearing was set for September 16, 1940. Prior to that date the matter was dropped from the calendar at applicant's request, and it has not since been reset for hearing. In response to the Commission's inquiry applicant, on August 7, 1941, requested that action be deferred for the time being. Applicant having taken no steps to restore the matter to the calendar, the Commission on June 22, 1943, once more called the matter to its attention. On July 16, 1943, applicant, through its counsel, advised the Commission that it would consent to a dismissal, without prejudice to the filing of a petition to reopen the proceeding for further hearing, should it be so advised. Accordingly, the matter will be dismissed.

ORDER

Application having been made as above entitled, the Commission being now fully advised, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the above entitled proceeding be and it hereby is dismissed, without prejudice.

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