

Decision No. 37238

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
the LOS ANGELES RAILWAY CORPORATION) AMENDED FIFTY-SECOND
for an in lieu certificate for its) APPLICATION NO. 19179
motor coach lines.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

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O P I N I O N

By the amended 52nd supplement to the above-numbered application, Los Angeles Railway Corporation seeks permission to make certain modifications and slight extensions to the routing of its "Los Angeles Airport Line No. 68."

This line is now operated pursuant to Decision No. 35099, dated March 3, 1942, and provides for the transportation of passengers by buses between a connection with applicant's No. 5 rail line, at the intersection of Imperial Highway and Hawthorne Avenue, and the war plants engaged in aircraft production located on either side of Imperial Highway in the vicinity of Los Angeles Municipal Airport. This authority is temporary, terminating ninety (90) days after the declaration of peace.

By its current certificate applicant is authorized to operate "-via Imperial Highway west to the entrance of the Los Angeles Municipal Airport (about one-half mile westerly from Redondo-Inglewood Road)." Although this entrance has recently been moved to a point slightly to the west of its former location, the route as presently described is sufficiently broad to include the relocated entrance.

Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc., as part of its present expansion of the El Segundo plant, plans to close all present gates

on Lapham Street and relocate them about one-half mile south of Imperial Highway on an extension of Douglas Street. This street is a dedicated highway for approximately one-fourth mile south of Imperial Highway, after which it continues about 1500 feet on property owned by the Defense Plant Corporation and leased to the Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc. Bus loading zones for the handling of employees have been established on this southerly continuation, and Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc. has requested that applicant provide transportation to the new location.

At the easterly terminus, the present certificate provides for operation around a terminal loop via Grevillea Avenue, West 116th Street and Hawthorne Avenue. Permission is also requested to relocate this terminal loop one block east to include the intersection of Hawthorne Avenue and Imperial Highway via Hawthorne Avenue (west side), 116th Street and Hawthorne Avenue (east side) to Imperial Highway, and as justification alleges that recent street grade changes at the intersection of Grevillea Avenue and Imperial Highway have resulted in making it impractical to operate around the present loop.

This order will include only those portions of the routes on dedicated highways.

No changes in fares are involved in this matter.

Both the cities of Los Angeles and El Segundo have indicated their approval of these proposed changes in route.

This is not a matter requiring a public hearing, and in our opinion, the authority should be granted.

O R D E R

Good Cause Appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the route set forth in Item (1) of regulations contained in Decision No. 35099 be amended to read as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of Imperial Highway and Hawthorne Avenue, thence via Hawthorne Avenue (west side), 116th Street, Hawthorne Avenue (east side) and Imperial Highway to the entrance road to Los Angeles Municipal Airport (about one-half mile westerly from Inglewood-Redondo Road); also from the intersection of Imperial Highway and Douglas Street, southerly on Douglas Street approximately one-fourth mile to the beginning of a highway constructed on private property.

The authorization herein granted shall become void if not exercised within one year from the date hereof unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

In all other respects Decision No. 35099 shall remain in full force and effect.

This order shall be effective immediately.

Dated, San Francisco, California, this 1st day of August, 1944.

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Justus F. Cameron
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COMMISSIONERS