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Decision No. 40373

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) LANDIER TRANSIT COMPANY, INC., a) corporation, to abandon that certain) automobile passenger and baggage) service operating between Los Angeles) and (Swartout) Big Pines, California.)

Application No. 28339

Spray, Davis and Gould, by C. W. Bowers, for applicant.

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Landier Transit Company, Inc., a corporation, seeks authority to discontinue and abandon a passenger stage service, for the transportation of persons and their baggage, between Los Angeles, on the one hand, and Big Pines (Swartout), on the other hand, created by Decision No. 34359, and subsequently acquired by applicant (Decision No. 39107).

A public hearing was held in this proceeding in Los Angeles, before Examiner Chiesa. Evidence having been adduced the application was submitted for decision.

It appears that the service was established in the summer of 1941, and is operated on a regular schedule on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the months of June, July, August, and September of each year, with "on call" service during the other months of the year.

Applicant acquired said operative right in 1946 and has performed the service one year. The evidence shows that, for the

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period of June 18, 1946, to September 11, 1946, applicant's operating revenues and expenses were \$11,009.75 and \$12,104.28, respectively, resulting in a net loss of \$1,094.53. An exhibit offered by a transportation engineer of this Commission partially confirms applicant's figures and shows that passenger revenues and operating expenses were \$11,009.75 and \$11,389.99, respectively, or a loss of \$380.24 for the period.

Applicant's patrons consisted principally of young boys' and girls' groups belonging to eight organizations such as Boy Scouts of America, Y. M. C. A., Camp Fire Girls, and various Catholic Youth organizations. The evidence shows that all of the organizations have made other arrangements for their 1947 transportation requirements. Applicant contends that the loss of this patronage will materially reduce revenues and, consequently, increase its operating loss on the Big Pines operation.

The organizations which used applicant's service in the summer of 1946 had notice of the hearing but did not enter an appearance. This Commission has received letters from the Young Men's Christian Association of Los Angeles, Boy Scouts of America, Catholic Summer Camps for Youth, and Big Pines Camps Association, Inc., stating that there is no objection to the proposed abandonment.

Upon full consideration of the evidence of record we find that the proposed abandonment by applicant of its passenger stage service between Los Angeles and Big Pines is in the public interest and, therefore, the application will be granted.

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<u>order</u>

A public hearing having been had in the above-entitled proceeding, the Commission being fully advised and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Landier Transit Company, Inc., a corporation, be, and it hereby is, authorized to discontinue and abandon its operation as a passenger stage corporation between Los Angeles and Big Pines (Swartout), as conducted under operative rights acquired pursuant to the authority granted in Decision 39107, and said operative rights are hereby revoked and annulled.

(2) That Lendier Transit Company, Inc. shall by appropriate supplements cancel all effective tariffs and time tables applicable to the operation herein authorized to be discontinued.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10 th day June, 1947.

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