

Decision No. 40984

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of	)	
Pete Drake, conducting as sole owner	)	
certain automobile passenger stage	)	
lines under the name of Terminal Island	)	Application No. 28624
Transit Co., for authority to establish	)	
an additional alternate route over	)	
Terminal Island Access Freeway.	)	

O P I N I O N

By the above-entitled application Pete Drake, an individual conducting passenger stage service under the name of Terminal Island Transit Company, seeks this Commission's authority to establish an additional alternate route for the transportation of passengers over a portion of the Terminal Island Access Freeway within the Cities of Long Beach and Los Angeles. AS justification for this request, applicant states that the Freeway now under construction will be open to the public in the early part of 1948; that it generally parallels applicant's present alternate route authorized by Decision No. 39342, dated August 27, 1946; and that through its use between Terminal Island and Anaheim Street, or between Terminal Island and the northerly Freeway connection to Henry Ford Boulevard, a much better and faster service can be rendered than is now available on the alternate route on Henry Ford Boulevard.

Applicant asserts that upon completion of the Freeway, the United States Navy plans to close and dismantle the pontoon bridge

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(1) Hereinafter referred to as Freeway..

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over the Long Beach entrance channel. On the removal of said bridge all public transportation between Terminal Island and Long Beach will be required to employ either Henry Ford Boulevard or the Freeway. Further, the route now termed Regular Route will no longer be available. Under these circumstances, it appears appropriate to eliminate the term "Alternate" from the Freeway Route and allow that route to become applicant's regular route between Terminal Island and Long Beach upon discontinuance of the pontoon bridge.

The present alternate route has been so restricted that, with the slight exception of two morning and evening periods, it may only be employed when the pontoon bridge is not in service. With removal of said bridge such time restriction will automatically disappear. Certain areas along Henry Ford Boulevard, now served by applicant, will not have access to passenger stage service on the Freeway. Applicant therefore proposes to continue the alternate route for service to such areas.

Long Beach City Lines, Long Beach Motor Bus Company and Pacific Electric Railway Company have indicated in writing that no protest will be offered if existing restrictions against local service are made applicable to the Freeway Route. It appears that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the application. No public hearing is necessary.

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(2) Applicant's Regular Route, prescribed in Decision No. 39342, uses the pontoon bridge in passenger service between Terminal Island and Long Beach. Consideration was given to its removal at the time the certificate was issued. The opinion in said decision contained the following: "We do not believe it necessary to fix a time of expiration of the certificate..... When the pontoon bridge is closed or removed by the Navy Department, the certificate over the bridge will be of no avail to applicant."

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Decision No. 39342, dated August 27, 1946, be amended by:

I. Adding Subparagraph (c) to Paragraph (1) of the order to read as follows:

- (c) When using the Freeway Route, no passengers shall be carried locally between the entrance and exit ramps to the Freeway on Terminal Island and applicant's terminal in Long Beach, both points inclusive.

II. Adding an additional route to Subparagraph (c) of Paragraph (2) of the order to read as follows:

Freeway Route

Via the Terminal Island Freeway between the entrance and exit ramps on Terminal Island on the one hand, and the exit and entrance ramps to and from Anaheim Street on the other hand.  
Also the entrance and exit ramps connecting the Terminal Island Freeway with Henry Ford Boulevard.

The foregoing authority is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the authorization herein granted within a period of not to exceed 30 days from the effective date hereof.
- (b) Applicant shall comply with the provisions of General Order No. 79 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing, in triplicate, and concurrently making effective appropriate tariffs and time schedules within 90 days from the effective date hereof and on not less than 1 day's notice to the Commission and the public.

In all other respects Decision No. 39342 shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1947.

Harold Huls  
Justus J. Casper  
Earl Powell  
R. J. Dunning  
Commissioners