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Decision No. <u>11998</u>

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) THE GRAY LINE, INC., a corporation,) for a certificate of public convenience) and necessity to operate as a common) carrier for hire, transportation service) between Tanforan Race Track in San Mateo) County, California, on the one hand, and) San Francisco and Oakland, on the other) hand.

Application No. 29485

OPINION

By the above entitled application The Gray Line, Inc. seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the establishment of a passenger stage service between San Francisco and Oakland, on the one hand, and Tanforan Race Track in San Mateo County, on the other hand.

Applicant has for a number of years been engaged in the operation of sight-seeing tours in the San Francisco Bay Area. It is also engaged in the transportation of passengers between San Francisco, Oakland and Alameda, on the one hand, and Pacific Turf Club at Albany, on the other hand, and between San Francisco and Oakland, on the one hand, and Bay Meadows Race Track in San Mateo $\binom{1}{2}$ County, on the other hand, during racing seasons only.

The proposed service to and from Tanforan Race Track would be operated on each day that racing is in progress at the track. Schedules would be coordinated with the daily racing program. Applicant does not propose to make any stops en route or to pick up or discharge passengers at points intermediate to San Francisco and

(1) Decision No. 40620 in Application No. 28582 and Decision No. 40839 in Application No. 28764.

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Tanforan Race Track. However, when operating from Oakland to Tanforan, applicant proposes to pick up passengers at San Francisco if seats are available, and upon returning from Tanforan to discharge passengers at San Francisco. Applicant proposes to charge a round trip fare of \$1.30, plus tax, between San Francisco and Tanforan, and \$1.76, plus tax, between Oakland and Tanforan. Children between the ages of five years and twelve years would be charged one-half the adult fare. Specially designed passenger stages with seating capacities of 21 to 41 passengers would be used.

As justification for the authority sought applicant alleges that the number of persons attending the Tanforan Race Track has increased materially over the attendance prior to the war; that a great number of persons desiring to attend the races have no private means of transportation; and that many others prefer commercial means of transportation which would obviate the inconvenience of a long walk between parking lot and track, and provide delivery and pick up at the track gate.

Each of the common carriers operating between the points involved has been served with a copy of the application and has waived protest to the granting of the application. In view of the facts of record the Commission is of the opinion, and finds, that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the application. A public hearing is not required.

ORDER

Application as above entitled having been filed, the Commission being fully informed and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

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IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to The Gray Line, Inc. authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 2½ of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of persons between San Francisco and Oakland, on the one hand, and Tanforan Race Track in San Mateo County, on the other hand, only on days when racing is in progress at Tanforan Race Track.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- a. Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed 30 days from the effective date hereof.
- b. Within 60 days from the effective date hereof and on not less than 5 days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and comply with the provisions of General Orders Nos. 79 and 93-A, by filing in triplicate and concurrently making effective, appropriate tariffs and time tables.
- c. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify them by further order, applicant shall conduct operations pursuant to the certificate herein granted over and along the most appropriate route or routes between the points herein authorized to be served.

The effective date of this order shall be 20 days from

the date hereof. (Mancisco, California, this 2 Dated at 1948. day of COMMISSIONERS

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