

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 12352

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
SAN DIEGO ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY,)	
a corporation, for a certificate of)	
public convenience and necessity to)	
deviate, at times, from its established)	Application No. 29451
bus routes, for the purpose of fur-)	
nishing better service for special)	
events at Russ Auditorium and Balboa)	
Stadium.)	

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests authority herein to operate a sufficient number of its buses which are used in its existing operations as a passenger stage corporation so as to provide service to the Russ Auditorium at 13th and Russ Streets, on the grounds of the San Diego High School, in the City of San Diego, and also to Balboa Stadium which is likewise on the grounds of said school.

At the present time there are no other common carriers serving either the auditorium or the stadium, the only present service in the vicinity being operated by applicant and consisting of a street car service which is one block away from the auditorium and approximately three blocks away from the stadium and of a bus line which is three blocks away from both the auditorium and the stadium.

It is alleged that the service proposed is in the public interest inasmuch as there are special events held from time to time at both the auditorium and the stadium. The auditorium is said to be capable of seating approximately 2,000 people and the stadium 25,000. At the time of these events such as concerts, plays, and public gatherings of other kinds, the existing common carrier

facilities are inadequate. Accordingly, it is alleged that public convenience and necessity require that applicant divert a sufficient number of its buses from its regularly established routes and operate them over the route described in the following order so as to provide transportation for these special events. This would enable applicant to pick up and discharge passengers at the door of the auditorium and at the gate of the stadium.

Applicant does not propose to perform a regular service to the stadium nor to the auditorium but merely a service when special events are being held and consequently additional transportation is required.

After full consideration of this matter, we are of the opinion and hereby find that public convenience and necessity justify the authorization of the service as herein proposed. The applicant has a certificate of public convenience and necessity to serve this territory consequently it is necessary only to amend the description of its "K" line route to include the streets which must be traversed to effect this additional service. No changes in fares are involved. A public hearing is not necessary.

ORDER

Application as above entitled having been filed, the Commission being fully advised in the premises and hereby finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED that the description of Route "K" appearing on Sheet 3 of Decision No. 39648, in Application No. 27700 be, and it is hereby amended by including therein the following route description:

"Along Russ Boulevard between 12th Avenue and 15th Street, and along 15th and 13th Streets between Russ Boulevard and Broadway."

Service to and from Russ Auditorium and Balboa Stadium shall be provided only on occasions when large crowds are expected to gather thereat.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of December, 1948.

R. E. Murray

Justice J. Calves

Samuel Patten

COMMISSIONERS