

Decision No. <u>42555</u>

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES CONDISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) XEY SYSTEM TRANSIT LINES for authority) to provide alternate express route) via East Shore Highway-University) Avenue on its No. "G" San Francisco-) Solano Avenue passenger stage line in) the County of Alameda, State of) California.)

Application No. 30050

OPINION AND ORDER

Key System Transit Lines seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24 and 50% of the Public Utilities Act, authorizing passenger stage service along University Avenue between East Shore Highway and 4th Street in the City of Berkeley. This authority, is sought to enable applicant to provide an alternate routing for express service of its "C" San Francisco-Solano Avenue line. The proposed alternate routing of this line would divert at University Avenue from its regular route along San Pablo Avenue, thence over University Avenue and East Shore Highway and joining the regular route at the Oakland end of the San Francisco-Oakland Eay Bridge. The proposed alternate route would be used for express service by the "G" San Francisco-Solano Avenue line during the morning and evening peak hours only. In order to provide the proposed express service during those hours, a sufficient number of schedules to accommodate the traffic utilizing the proposed new service would be diverted from the regular route. The remainder of the schedules of this line would continue to operate over the regular route.

As justification for the authority sought the application states that 60 per cent to 70 per cent of the patronage of the "G"

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San Francisco-Solano Avenue line is destined to points northerly from the intersection of San Pablo and University Avenues in Berkeley; that there has been a consistent demand for the proposed express service and that the shorter routing and elimination of movement in congested traffic along San Pablo Avenue during peak periods would shorten the running time by approximately six minutes on each schedule.

After full consideration of the evidence of record, it is our conclusion that public convenience and necessity require the proposed alternate routing, which will be authorized. No public hearing is necessary. Therefore and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Key System Transit Lines, authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 2% of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers between points along University Avenue between its junctions with East Shore Highway and 4th Street in the City of Berkeley, as an extension and enlargement of and consolidated with the operative rights created by Decision No. 36159, in Application No. 23313.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted and establish the service authorized within a period of not to exceed 30 days after the effective date hereof and on not less than 5 days' notice to the Commission and the public.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

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