

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 43282

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
PETER J. van LOBEN SEIS, an individual )  
doing business as VALLEY TRANSIT LINES, )  
for: )

(a) A Certificate of Public Convenience )  
and Necessity authorizing the extension )  
of passenger-stage service between )  
Temple City, California, and Baldwin )  
Park, California, over regularly des- )  
cribed routes serving all intermediate )  
points; )

Application No. 30502

(b) for authority to reroute certain )  
presently authorized routes and in con- )  
nection therewith to abandon service on )  
portions of said presently authorized )  
routes. )

O P I N I O N

Applicant, now operating a passenger stage service in El Monte, Monrovia, Temple City, and points in the vicinity of said cities, requests authority to institute a new line between Temple City and Baldwin Park, serving intermediate points. Applicant also seeks authority to reroute its present service between El Monte and Monrovia.

In support of his request for a new certificate of convenience and necessity, applicant alleges that the proposed service is essentially an east-west operation, crossing three of his presently authorized routes traveling in a generally north-south direction; that in the course of the past several years there has been a substantial growth in the population of the area on the

proposed route between Temple City and Baldwin Park lying immediately north of El Monte; that applicant has received a considerable number of requests to provide an east-west service along Lower Azusa Road in order to facilitate travel to be coordinated with the present services.

Applicant also asserts that by virtue of the completion of a bridge across San Gabriel River, Lower Azusa Road-Los Angeles Avenue will become a main artery of travel in an east-west direction between Baldwin Park, Temple City, Monrovia and Arcadia. In the opinion of applicant, there will consequently be a demand and public need for the proposed service. It is stated that many persons residing in the area to be served are dependent upon public transportation. No direct route by any common carrier now exists between Baldwin Park and Temple City, Arcadia or Monrovia, to enable many persons living in one of said communities to go to their places of employment in another of said cities, or to shop or take care of other matters.

As justification for the requested rerouting, applicant alleges that during recent weeks Mayflower Avenue has been under reconstruction, and, as a consequence, it has been necessary to route its lines easterly along Camino Real from the intersection of Mayflower and Camino Real, thence northerly along Peck Road to Duarte Road, and along Duarte Road to Myrtle Avenue. This temporary rerouting has resulted in a substantial increase in travel over this segment of applicant's line.

Also, it is stated that recently the City of Monrovia has authorized a bus service operating within its boundaries to provide

service along Mayflower Avenue to Duarte Road, and along Duarte Road into the business district. As a result, there are presently two bus services in operation covering substantially the same territory in the area where the change is sought. The modification in the route will not, therefore, result in the deprivation of service to persons who may have been using applicant's service, as originally authorized, along Mayflower Avenue and Duarte Road.

It is asserted that applicant proposes, in making its change of route, to continue along Camino Real to California Avenue, thence along California to Duarte and along Duarte to Myrtle, and then along the present route. This is done rather than to proceed along Peck Road because there has been a substantial development in housing and an increase in population in the area between Peck Road and Mountain Avenue and points easterly. California Avenue is more nearly centrally located for this population development. This will result in a maximum of service to the largest number of people in this area.

The application further states that Camino Real Avenue, between Redell Street and California Avenue, is presently under construction and will not be open to public travel for approximately three months. In order to bypass this construction zone, it is requested that applicant be authorized to temporarily use Redell Avenue and Maydeo Street.

The Pacific Electric Railway Company has been furnished with a copy of this application and has advised this Commission that it has no objection to the requested new operation and reroutings of existing operations. No other certificated carriers appear to be

affected, except the Azusa Motor Bus Company in its operations along Maine Street in Baldwin Park. A restriction as to picking up and discharging local passengers in this area will eliminate all competition between these carriers. Having fully considered this matter, the Commission finds, as a fact, that the public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of the proposed additional route and of the requested route changes. The application will be granted, with the above indicated restriction. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

Application therefor having been filed, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it hereby is, granted to Peter J. van Loben Sels authorizing him to establish and operate a service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 2 1/4 of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers between points in Temple City, on the one hand, and points in Baldwin Park, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, on the other hand, as an extension and enlargement of, and to be consolidated with, applicant's present operative rights, subject to the condition that applicant shall not pick up any passenger on Maine Street whose destination is any point along said street.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, the following service regulations shall be complied with:

(a) Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof.

- (b) Applicant shall, within sixty (60) days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, establish the service herein authorized, and 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, tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission.
- (c) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time, Peter J. van Loben Sels shall conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the following described route:

TEMPLE CITY-BALDWIN PARK EXTENSION

From Holt Avenue in Baldwin Park along Maino Avenue, Los Angeles Street and its continuation known as Lower Azusa Road, Sunset Boulevard, Olive Street, Encinita Avenue, Las Tunas Drive, Oak Avenue, Workman Avenue to Encinita Avenue in Temple City.

Applicant is authorized to turn his motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets, or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

- (3) That the description of the El Monte-Monrovia Route appearing in paragraph (2), subparagraph (c), of the order in Decision No. 41462, on Application No. 29118, as amended by Decision No. 42078, on Application No. 29671, be, and it hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Tyler Avenue and Valley Boulevard, in the City of El Monte, thence along Valley Boulevard, Peck Road, Live Oak Avenue, 10th Avenue, Jeffries Avenue, Mayflower Avenue, Camino Real Avenue, California Avenue, Duarte Road, Myrtle Avenue, Olive Avenue, Ivy Avenue, Lime Avenue, Primrose Avenue, Olive Avenue to its intersection with Myrtle Avenue.

- (4) That applicant be, and he hereby is, authorized to discontinue and abandon his present service along Mayflower Avenue north of Camino Real Avenue and along Duarte Road west of Myrtle Avenue.

(5) That until construction work has been completed on Camino Real Avenue, between Redell Street and California Avenue, applicant be, and he hereby is, authorized to operate his vehicles from Camino Real Avenue over Redell Avenue and Maydee Street to California Avenue.

(6) That in all other respects, said Decision No. 411462, as amended by said Decision No. 42078, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of September, 1949.

R. E. Johnson  
Justice F. Coleman  
San Francisco

COMMISSIONERS