

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 42684

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
 WEST COAST BUS LINES, LTD., a corpora-  
 tion, for a Certificate of Public  
 Convenience and Necessity authorizing  
 operation over the Freeway, U. S.  
 Highway 40, Fairfield By-Pass, and to  
 consolidate such right with the remain-  
 der of applicant's system, and for  
 authority to abandon service at Fairfield.)

Application No. 30825

O P I N I O N

The Commission is herein requested to authorize West Coast Bus Lines Ltd. to reroute its service so as to operate between Vallejo and Sacramento via the newly constructed four lane freeway, U. S. Highway 40, known as Fairfield By-Pass and to abandon service via the City of Fairfield.

Applicant presently possesses an operative right authorizing the transportation of passengers and their baggage between San Francisco and the California-Oregon state boundary at its intersection with U. S. Highway 99 and points intermediate thereto, subject to the restriction that no service shall be rendered between San Francisco and Sacramento and intermediate points or between San Francisco and the junction of U. S. Highways 40 and 99-W near Davis and intermediate points, provided, however, that passengers and their baggage may be carried from points inside of the restricted area to points outside thereof or from points outside to points inside thereof. Such right was granted by Decision No. 41489, Application No. 28312. The operation was conducted via Fairfield, over U. S. Highway 40.

Applicant alleges that said freeway is now complete, four miles in length and bypasses the existing U. S. Highway No. 40 between points approximately one mile west and three miles north of the city limits of Fairfield; that applicant does not serve points between San Francisco and Sacramento except to the extent it may pick up and discharge passengers at intermediate points including Fairfield, who are destined to, or originate from, points north of Sacramento; that the demands for its service at Fairfield do not justify continued maintenance of facilities at that point; that the total value of tickets sold since it commenced intrastate operations at such point has not been in excess of the sum of \$150; that the official U. S. census of 1940 indicates the population of Fairfield is 1312; that passengers who ordinarily would be picked up or discharged at Fairfield may utilize the services of applicants depot in nearby Vallejo and will not be unduly inconvenienced thereby; that the operation of schedules over said freeway will lessen traffic congestion and hazards within Fairfield and expedite service for other users of applicant's service; that applicant proposes to maintain substantially the same schedules and the same fares now on file with the Commission.

The Division of Highways, Department of Public Works, Sacramento has notified the Commission, in writing, that it does not disapprove the application. It is the opinion of the Commission, upon consideration of all the facts and circumstances, and it hereby finds, that public convenience and necessity require the application be granted. A public hearing will not be necessary.

ORDER

Now therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

(1) That the West Coast Bus Lines, Ltd. is hereby authorized to abandon service at the City of Fairfield over U. S. Highway No. 40, and in lieu thereof, establish service along and over the four lane freeway, U. S. Highway No. 40 known as Fairfield By-Pass, as an extension and enlargement of and consolidated with the operative right heretofore granted by Decision No. 41489, in Application No. 28312 and a certificate of public convenience and necessity therefor is hereby granted.

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

1. 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.
2. 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 Order No. 79 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A, by filing in triplicate and concurrently making effective, appropriate tariffs and time tables.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1949.

R. E. [Signature]  
Justice J. Wallace  
Ward L. [Signature]  
Harold P. [Signature]  
Herbert H. [Signature]  
 Commissioners