Decision No. 44032

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) STOCKTON CITY LINES, INC. requesting) authority to operate its school buses) over Harding Way between North Ophir) and North El Dorado Streets and over) North Ophir between Weber and Miner) Avenues in the City of Stockton.)

Application No. 31145

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

In this proceeding Stockton City Lines, Inc., requests authority to establish an alternate routing over North Ophir Street between Weber Street and Minor Avenue and also along Harding Street between North Ophir Street and North 21 Dorado Street. This alternate routing would be used in conjunction with its regular Routes Nos. 2 and 3 for the transportation of students to and from the College of the Pacific and Stockton Junior College during the morning and evening peak load periods when these schools are in session. A part of its present Route No. ¹⁴ would be used in conjunction with the proposed alternate route.

Applicant desires to place this alternate route service into effect for a trial period of sixty days in order to ascertain if it will be patronized sufficiently to relieve congestion on regular route buses during the peak periods and thereby justify its continued operation.

After full consideration of applicant's request, we find that public convenience and necessity would be subserved by authorizing the proposed alternate routing. However, on the showing here made, we do not believe that it should be authorized upon the. limited trial period as requested by applicant. If it develops

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after a reasonable trial that the public use of the proposed alternate routing is insufficient to justify its continuance, then applicant may petition the Commission for appropriate relief. The application states that a copy of the application was served upon the City of Stockton. No one has filed an objection with the Commission to the granting of the proposed alternate route operation. The application will be granted. No public hearing appears to be necessary.

<u>O R D E R</u>

An application therefor having been filed and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Routes Nos. 2 and 3, as defined in Decision No. 36100, as modified by Decisions Nos. 29274 and 43820 are hereby amended by adding thereto the following additional alternate route:

"Along North Ophir Street between East Weber Street and East Main Street. Along, East Harding Street between North Ophir Street and North El Dorado Street."

(2) That in all vehicles operating over RoutesNos. 2 and 3 applicant shall post notices describing the rerouting herein authorized, for ten consecutive days next preceding the date said rerouting is established.

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

Dated at Sauthauruser, California, this 11th day of April _____, 1950.

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