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Decision No. 44202

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of BAKERSFIELD TRANSIT COMPANY for) authority to reroute and/or extend) its Routes Nos. 2, 5 8, and 9.

Application No. 31347

<u>OPINION</u>

Applicant, Bakersfield Transit Company, presently rendering a passenger stage service in the City of Bakersfield and areasdjacent thereto, requests authority to reroute and extend Routes Nos. 2 and 5 and extend Routes Nos. 8 and 9.

Routes Nos. 2 and 5 presently parallel each other over 19th Street between Baker Street and Chester Avenue. Applicant proposes to operate Route No. 2 over 21st Street instead of 19th Street. Route No. 2 would terminate at the intersection of Chester Avenue and 19th Street and Route No. 5 would be extended west of that intersection to serve that area presently served by Route No. 2. Applicant proposes to extend Routes Nos. 8 and 9 to provide service to several newly developed residential areas. The present local fares of ten cents with free transfer privileges would be applicable to the proposed extensions.

As justification for the authority sought, applicant allegos that rerouting of Routes Nos. 2 and 5 would result in greater economy and efficiency of service; that the proposed service would eliminate layovers and thus effect a savings of \$20 per day on labor costs; that no savings in mileage operated is anticipated; that the extension of Routes Nos. 8 and 9 would provide service to residents of new areas who depend upon and would use the proposed service; that the proposed reroutings and extensions would in no

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way compete with any other common carrier.

After full consideration of the facts, we conclude that public convenience and necessity require the establishment of service as proposed. The application will be granted by amending the present route descriptions of Routes Nos. 2, 5,8 and 9. This is not a matter requiring a public hearing.

ORDER

Application having been made as above entitled, and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the description of Route No. 2 as described in Decision No. 38446, in Application No. 27036, and in Decision No. 40518, in Application No. 28516, is hereby amended to read as follows:

> "Route No. 2. Commencing at the intersection of 19th Street and Chester Avenue, thence along Chester Avenue, 21st Street, Baker Street, Bernard Street, Baker Street, Irene Street, Alta Vista Drive, La Cresta Drive, Magnolia Avenue, Skyline Boulevard, thence along Baker Street to point of commencement."

(2) That the description of Route No. 5 as described in Decision No. 41570, in Application No. 28928, is hereby amended to read as follows:

> "Route No. 5. Commencing at the intersection of F Street and Truxtun Avenue, thenco along Truxtun Avenue, Elm Street, 19th Street, Baker Street, Flower Street to Mount Vernon Avenue. Return same route to point of commencement."

(3) That the description of Route No. 8 as described in Decision No. 41570, in Application No. 28928, is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"Route No. 8. Commencing at the intersection of 24th Street and Drake Street, thence along Drake Street, Bay Street, Hubbard Street, Spruce Street, 24th Street, F Street, 19th Street, Baker Street, Niles Street, Catalpa Way, Avenida Escuela, Locust Ravine to Niles Street, thence via same route to point of commencement."

(4) That the doscription of Route No. 9 as described in Decision No. 42174, in Application No. 29695, and as amended by Decision No. 42257, in Application No. 29695, is hereby amended to read as follows:

> "Route No. 9. Commencing at the intersection of China Grade Loop and Chester Avenue, thence along Chester Avenue, Bangroft Drive, Olympic Drive, China Grade Loop, Chester Avenue, California Avenue, C Street, Sunset Avenue, Myrtle Street, Beech Street, Brundage Lane, Wetherley Drive, Bank Street to Beech Street, thence returning via same route to point of commencement."

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20)

days after the date hereof.

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COMMISSIONERS

necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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Commissioner Konneth Pottor