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Decision No. 44427

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
EL CAMINO TRANSIT, INC., for permis-) Application No. 31447
sion to abandon lines.

OPINION

By Decision No. 43305, dated September 20, 1949, applicant was authorized to establish and operate a passenger stage service between the cities of Redondo Beach and Torrance. Applicant now seeks authority to abandon its lines. Service has been discontinued.

As justification, applicant states that it has been operating at a deficit and no longer has the financial resources to continue operation; that service was established in February of 1949; that the operation has always been conducted at a loss; that operating costs have been steadily increasing without a corresponding increase in revenue; that the loss is attributable, in part, to the operating practices of a competing carrier and legal expense in connection with applicant's bus storage facilities.

In Application No. 31427, filed May 23, 1950, Sunset Stages, a corporation, operating as a passenger stage corporation in the same area served by applicant, requests authority to establish service along a new route between the cities of Redondo Beach and Inglewood which will provide a substantially similar service for the former patrons of El Camino Transit Inc. in the area between

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downtown Redondo Beach and the intersection of Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Johnston Avenue. Service to the Hollywood Riviera Area is not proposed at this time by Sunset Stages.

It appearing that applicant is unable to continue its operation, the application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

ORDER

Application therefor having been made, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and good cause appearing, IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That El Camino Transit Inc., a corporation, be, and it hereby is, authorized to discontinue and abandon its operation as a passenger stage corporation as heretofore authorized by Decision No. 43305, dated September 20, 1949, and said operative right is hereby revoked and annulled.
- (2) That all effective tariffs and time tables applicable to the operation herein authorized to be discontinued are hereby cancelled.

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

Dated at Annatoro, California, this 20th.

day of _______, 1950.

Jack Hill - COMMISSIONERS