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Decision No. 44521

BUFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of the LONG BEACH MOTOR BUS COMPANY for rerouting of portions of its Bellflower Route No. 11, for redesignation of such route as Bellflower-Lakewood Route No. 11; for rerouting of portions of its Hynes-Orange Avenue Route No. 13, and for redesignation of such route as Paramount-Orange Avenue Route No. 13.

Application No. 31321

John Munholland, for applicant. John W. Pares,
Mrs. Wallace W. Wright, and Mrs. Norman C. Wells, for Lakewood
Taxpayer's Association, and Richard Robertson, protestants.
Henry E. Jordan, for Bureau of Franchises and Public Utilities
of the City of Long Beach; Moward Cunningham, for Long Beach
Transit Company; Robert L. Trvin and J. E. Blackburn, for
Harbor District Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. L. H. Paul;
Mrs. George Flemmons; A. J. De Lacy, Long Beach Chamber of
Commerce; Robert Walker; Mrs. E. Thygeson, interested parties.

<u>opinion</u>

Applicant seeks authority (1) to reroute a portion of its Bellflower Route by discontinuing service on Marvey Way and inaugurating service on Carson Street, with a turnaround via Lakewood Boulevard and Cerritos Diagonal, (2) to reroute a portion of said route by discontinuing service on Conant Street and inaugurating service on Spring Street, (3) to discontinue regular service on said route on Lakewood Boulevard between Carson Street and Spring Street; thereafter rendering tripper or shift service only, and (4) to change the designation of said route to "Dellflower-Lakewood Route No. 11."

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In addition to the foregoing, applicant seeks authority (1) to reroute a portion of its Hynes-Orange Avenue Route by discontinuing service on Faculty Avenue, Harvey Way, and Lakewood Eculevard and extending service on Jarson Street from Faculty Avenue to Viking Way, thence via Viking Way and Bellflower Eculevard to Carson Street, and (2) to change the designation of said route to "Paramount-Orange Avenue Route No. 13."

A public hearing was held before Examiner Rogers in Long Beach on June 26, 1950, and, evidence having been adduced, the matter was submitted for decision.

Beliflower Route (Proposed Bellflower-Lakewood Route No. 11):

The evidence presented demonstrates that the proposed rerouting is not adverse to the public interest. Protestants were concerned with the distances present users of the line would be required to walk in order to board applicant's buses if the changes requested are authorized. The evidence shows that, with very few exceptions, no person served over the existing route will be required to travel any farther to board a bus traveling on the proposed route than he is required to travel to board a bus traveling on the present route. The proposed rerouting will provide service to a rapidly growing residential area located along Mardlow Road and between Clark Avenue and Woodruff Avenue. In the area mentioned there are many new homes, 3,289 either being presently completed or scheduled for completion by or before December, 1950. At the present time most of these homes are close to one mile from public transportation. Under the routing proposed, the majority Also, beginning at the intersection of Long Beach Boulevard and Carson Street, thence along Carson Street, Viking Way, Bellflower Boulevard to its intersection with Carson Street.

(2) That in all other respects Decision No. 39873, as heretofore amended or supplemented, Decision No. 40366, and Decision No. 40449, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

days after the date hereof.

Dated at Manthancisco, California, this

day of _______, 1950.