

Decision No. 44807

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
LAKESHORE LINES, a corporation, for)
authority to discontinue and abandon) Application No. 31118
service as a passenger stage corpora-)
tion.)

Arlo D. Poe for applicant.

O P I N I O N

Applicant herein holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity from this Commission under Decision No. 42956, dated June 1, 1949, to operate as a passenger stage corporation in the following areas:

1. between Carlsbad and Camp Pendleton, with no service at intermediate points;
2. between applicant's terminal in Oceanside to the San Luis Rey Gate at Camp Pendleton, with no service at intermediate points except the Sterling Housing area;
3. between Fallbrook, Camp Pendleton, and applicant's terminal in Oceanside, with service at intermediate points.

This authority is subject to the restriction that no passengers shall be transported having both origin and destination within the city of Oceanside except passengers transported between applicant's terminal in Oceanside and the Sterling Housing area.

Authority is requested in this application to discontinue and abandon the above service. A public hearing was held

at Oceanside on August 17, 1950, before Examiner Syphers, at which time testimony was adduced and the matter was submitted.

It was developed that applicant never has conducted operations between Carlsbad and Camp Pendleton because of the lack of any demand for such operations. It was further developed that the city of Oceanside has purchased the operation from Oceanside to Camp Pendleton and is now conducting it. Previously, while applicant held a permit from the United States Navy to operate in Camp Pendleton, the city of Oceanside's municipal bus line was denied authority by the Navy to operate within this camp. However, the testimony showed that the city of Oceanside has now obtained a permit to operate on the property of Camp Pendleton, and has purchased the equipment of applicant.

Concerning the operation between Fallbrook and Camp Pendleton, the testimony indicates that the bulk of the business consisted of school children riding from Fallbrook and vicinity to the Academy of the Little Flower at San Luis Rey. Testimony further indicates that there were 13 children who rode this bus and that these children were transported only on school days. Exhibit No. 2 is a statement of income and expenses for the period from July 1, 1949, to February 28, 1950, which shows that applicant sustained a net loss of \$5,740.80 during this period. Exhibit No. 5 shows that applicant's average out-of-pocket cost per day amounted to \$10.76, and Exhibit No. 4 presented details of the passenger transportation between Oceanside and Fallbrook. A further consideration of the testimony and

exhibits presented in this matter shows that applicant has been conducting operations at a loss and that there is no apparent prospect of obtaining sufficient business to convert these losses into a profit. The service from Oceanside to Camp Pendleton is being handled by the Oceanside Municipal Bus Lines and the other parts of applicant's service do not have sufficient patronage to justify continuance of the operation. Therefore, the application to abandon these rights will be granted.

O R D E R

Application as above entitled having been filed, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been submitted, and the Commission being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED that applicant be, and it hereby is, authorized to abandon all of its passenger stage operations as authorized under Decision No. 42956, dated June 1, 1949, on Application No. 28742.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of September, 1950

R. J. Anderson
James J. Cramer
Deputy Commissioner

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