Decision No. 44957

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a corporation, for an in lieu certificate of public convenience and necessity for modification of operation of routes in the vicinity of Pomona and Mira Loma used in "Express" motor coach service.

Application No. 31515

E. D. Yeomans for Pacific Electric Railway Company, applicant.

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

Applicant, in addition to other routes, presently conducts operations between Los Angeles, Pomona, Ontario, and Riverside, on its Los Angeles-Pomona-Riverside Motor Coach Line over Routes 2-B and 2-G, which are more specifically set out as follows:

(1) Route 2-B

> From Pacific Electric Railway depot in Pomona via Garey Avenue, Holt Avenue, "A" Street (Ontario), Laurel Avenue to Pacific Electric Railway depot (Ontario), and from Laurel Avenue and "A" Street, via "A" Street, Don View Avenue, Ontario Boulevard, and Mission Boulevard (U.S. Highway 60), Buena Vista Avenue and Seventh Street to Market Street (Riverside).

Also, from the west junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60, via U.S. Highway 60 to east junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60.

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⁽¹⁾ Decision No. 40267, dated May 13, 1947, on Application No. 26636, 10th Supplemental.



(2) <u>Route 2-G</u>

From Fifth Avenue and Garey Avenue (Pomona) via Fifth Avenue and California Street (Ontario) to Mission Boulevard (U.S. Highway 60).

Authority is herein requested to permit the discontinuance of regular express service over Route 2-C, and over that portion of Route 2-B described as follows:

> Also, from the west junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60, via U.S. Highway 60 to east junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60.

It is proposed, however, to retain these routes for doubles of regular service or special trips, for through traffic between Los Angeles and Riverside.

A public hearing was held at Los Angeles on October 13, 1950, before Examiner Syphers.

While the City of Riverside, through a letter from its City Clerk, had indicated a desire to protost this application, it entered no appearance at the hearing. The record shows that notice of the hearing was duly sont to the cities concerned, including the City of Riverside, the County of Los Angeles, and also to the interested passenger transportation carriers in the area. The only appearance at the hearing was that entered by applicant.

At the present time applicant operates but one limited trip per day in each direction, and, according to the record herein, traffic has decreased to such an extent that it is not practicable to continue this express service at all. It should be noted that applicant operates a regular service between the same points over a slightly different route. Also, the record

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⁽²⁾ Decision No. 40270, dated Lay 13, 1947, on Application No. 26536, 9th Supplemental.



shows that this regular service frequently requires the use of extra buses or doubles, as they are called. Furthermore, on certain occasions, such as weekends and holidays, there may be sufficient through traffic to justify special trips. Applicant proposes to rotain the routes here under consideration for such purposes, and the buses now used in regular express service could be better utilized in the present regular service and the proposed special trips.

Applicant estimates a saving of about \$3,000 per year will result from these changes.

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Application as above entitled having been filed, a public hearing having been held thereon, and the Commission being fully advised in the premises and hereby finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the certificate of public convenience and nocessity for the operation of passenger stage service over Route 2-G, as authorized by Decision No. 40270, dated May 13, 1947, on Application No. 26636, 9th Supplemental, and over that portion of Route 2-B, as authorized by Decision No. 40267, dated May 13, 1947, on Application No. 26636, 10th Supplemental, and described as follows:

Route 2-G

From Fifth Avenue and Garey Avenue (Pomona) via Fifth Avenue and California Street (Ontario) to Mission Boulevard (U.S. Highway 60),

Portion of Route 2-B

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Also, from the west junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60, via U.S. Mighway 60 to east junction of Mission Boulevard and U.S. Highway 60,

be modified to discontinue regular express service over the foregoing routes.

(2) That the Pacific Electric Railway Company be, and it hereby is, authorized to operate over the routes set out in part (1) of this order, doubles of regular service or special trips off schedule, loaded with through passengers between Los Angeles and Riverside, as an extension and enlargement of, and to be consolidated with, applicant's present passenger stage operative rights set forth in Decision No. 38827, dated April 9, 1946, on Application No. 26636 (46 C.R.C. 425) as amended.

(3) That Decision No. 38827, supra, as proviously amonded, shall in all other respects remain in full force and effect.

(4) That, within sixty (60) days from the date hereof, and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall discontinue regular express service over the routes horein defined.

(5) That a five-day notice to the public be provided by placing suitable signs in all equipment operated on the routes involved, and at all stations affected.

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