Decision No. 45395



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of PACIFIC CREYHOUND LINES) for authority to abandon operations) between Sears Point and Flosden and) between Napa River Bridge and Vallejo.)

Application No. 31935

Douglas Brookman for applicant

OPINION

Pacific Greyhound Lines requests authority to discontinue and abandon all passenger stage service between Sears Point and Flosden and between Napa River Bridge and Vallejo. The right to operate between such points was granted by Decision No. 34639, dated October 3, 1941, in Application No. 24456.

A public hearing was held February 14, 1951, at San Rafael before Examiner Silverhart and the matter submitted for decision.

Notice of the hearing was posted in buses serving the above points and copies thereof were posted at San Rafael, Hamilton Field, Ignacio, Novato, Fairfax, San Anselmo, Black Point Cut Off, Hamilton Field Junction, Vallejo, Petaluma, Tiburon and Mill Valley.

There were no protests to the granting of the application.

Arthur A. Smith, regional manager, Pacific Greyhound Lines, Division No. 5, testified that applicant obtained the authority here involved, prior to Pearl Harbor, in anticipation of World War II needs; that subsequently thereto the U. S. Navy conducted a transportation service to all Marin County cities

within a redius of 60 miles from Mare Island; that applicant performed such service for the Navy during the war and thereby rendered the within service superfluous during such period. The record shows that since cessation of hostilities, transportation requirements have diminished in volume until presently, the total traffic between Sears Point and Vallejo averages less than nine passengers per schedule; that during the period January 1, 1950, to October 31, 1950, total passenger and express revenues amounted to \$2,323, actual out-of-pocket costs amounted to \$6,409, resulting in a net loss of \$4,086.

The evidence discloses that applicant never operated over the route between Napa River Bridge and Flosden as all schedules proceeded directly to Vallejo.

Under the circumstances here shown, it is the opinion of the Commission that the application should be granted.

A public hearing having been held and basing this order upon the evidence therein adduced,

IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Pacific Greyhound Lines is hereby authorized to discontinue and abandon all service between Sears Point and Flosden via Napa River Bridge and between Napa River Bridge and Vallejo and the operating authority therefor granted by Decision No. 34639, dated October 3, 1941, is canceled and annulled.
- (2) That applicant shall, not less than 10 days prior to discontinuance of the service hereinabove referred to, post notices thereof in public places in Sears Point, Flosden and Vallejo, and in all its passenger stage vehicles plying between

such points.

(3) That within 60 days from the effective date hereof and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public applicant shall file appropriate tariffs and timetables reflecting the authority herein granted.

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

pated at San Francisco, Colifornia, this 27th day of Telegrapy, 1951.

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COMMISSIONERS