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Decision No. <u>45463</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC_UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of BAKERSFIELD TRANSIT COMPANY, a corporation,

(a) For an order authorizing the issuance of a conditional sale contract for the purchase of new equipment, under provisions of Section 52 of the Public Utilities Act.

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OPINION AND ORDER

Bakersfield Transit Company, applicant herein, is a California corporation engaged in operating passenger bus lines within the City of Bakersfield and in areas in the County of Kern adjacent thereto. In this application it reports that it has need for additional equipment to improve its service and that it has arranged to purchase from General Motors Corporation two transit type diesel hydraulic coaches at an estimated price delivered at Bakersfield of \$35,164.82, including taxes and freight.

Applicant proposes to pay 20% of the purchase price in cash and to execute a conditional sale contract for the remainder, said contract to provide for payments over a period of 36 months with interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum on unpaid balances.' A copy of the proposed form of contract has been filed in this proceeding as Exhibit A.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, that the request of applicant should be granted, as herein provided, that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for through the execution

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of the conditional sale contract is reasonably required for the purpose specified herein and that such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Bakersfield Transit Company, after the effective date hereof and on or before July 31, 1951, may execute a conditional sale contract in substantially the same form as that filed in this proceeding, providing for deferred principal payments of not exceeding \$28,500, for the purpose of financing in part the cost of new equipment.

2. Bakersfield Transit Company shall file with the Commission a report as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

3. The authority herein granted will become effective when Bakersfield Transit Company has paid the fee prescribed by Section 57 of the Public Utilities Act, which fee is \$29.00.

Dated at <u>Francisco</u>, California, this <u>20</u>²⁴ day of March 1951.



Commissioners -----

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