Decision No. 46384



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of J. R. BRITTON, Doing Business as LONG BEACH LIMOUSINE SERVICE, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate Limousine Service as a Highway Common Carrier of Passengers and Baggage between Long Beach, California and Los Angeles Municipal (International) Air Port, Inglewood, California, and between Long Beach, California and Lockheed Air Port, Burbank, California.

Application No. 32708
As Amended

John Clock for applicant. Henry Jordan for Bureau of Franchises of the City of Long Beach, C. E. Furgeson for Pacific Electric Railway Company, W. R. May for Pacific Greyhound Lines, Arlo Poe for Airportransit and Robert McNulty for Yellow Cab of Long Beach and Diamond Cab of Long Beach, interested parties.

## OPINION

J. R. Britton, doing business as Long Beach Limousine
Service, seeks authority to operate as a passenger stage corporation as defined in Section 226, of the Public Utilities Code, for
the transportation of passengers and their baggage between Long
Beach, California, and Los Angeles Municipal (International)
Airport, Inglewood, California, and between said City of Long
Beach and Lockheed Airport, Burbank, California.

Public hearing was held in Ios Angeles on Octobor 15, 1951, before Examiner Rowe, at which time oral and documentary evidence was adduced and the matter was duly submitted for decision.

The operators of two Long Beach hotels testified that there is pressing need for bus service between said city and the two principal airports in Los Angeles County. The assistant director of conventions in Long Beach testified that in procuring conventions for that city she encounters difficulty due to the inaccessibility of that city to the airlines. The application was supported by the Long Beach Chamber of Commerce and by several airlines. The Los Angeles Board of Public Utilities and Transportation informed the Commission that it does not oppose the application. There were no protests to the granting of the application. Applicant testified he has had many years' experience in this business, has some equipment and if necessary, will acquire additional equipment, and is financially able to initiate and carry on the proposed service. Five scheduled trips to and from the Los Angeles Airport at one-way individual fare of \$2.50 including 33¢ tax and two such trips to and from Lockheed Airport at one-way fare of \$3.50 including 46¢ tax are proposed. Additional on-call service will be operated upon the offer of a minimum aggregate cash fare of \$7.50 plus tax, to or from the former and \$12.20 plus tax to or from the latter airport.

The proposal to operate alternate routes in part along freeways will be denied because applicant has not furnished a copy of the application to and notified the Division of Highways of the California Department of Public Works. The proposal to serve both air terminals over the principal route is found to be required by public convenience and necessity and will be authorized.

## ORDER

Public hearing having been held, the Commission being fully advised in the premises and having found that public

Limousine Service, shall conduct said passenger stage service over and along the following highways:

Between Long Beach and Lockheed Airport in Burbank, over American Avenue, Alternate U. S. Highway No. 101, Sepulveda Boulevard, West Century Boulevard, through the Los Angeles Municipal (International) Airport, over Airport Road, La Tijera Boulevard, Slauson Avenue, La Brea Avenue, Edgewood Place, Highland Avenue, Cahuenga Boulevard, Barham Boulevard, Olive Avenue, and Hollywood Way.

Applicant is authorized to turn its motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets, or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

(3) Except as herein authorized, Application No. 32708 as amended, is hereby denied.

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

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Commissioners