

Decision No. 46720

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES)
for authority to operate bus service) Application No. 32997
between Grenada Junction and Yreka via)
Montague.

O P I N I O N

In this application Pacific Greyhound Lines requests a certificate authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers and baggage between Grenada Junction and Yreka and intermediate points over an unnumbered public highway via Grenada and Montague. Applicant proposes to operate one round-trip schedule daily, and the fares charged will be constructed upon applicant's currently effective mileage scale. All rules and regulations and charges governing baggage as currently published will apply to the proposed operation.

The application states that because of the purposes for which the proposed service is sought to be established, passenger tickets issued by Southern Pacific Company will be honored optionally by applicant to and from points on the proposed route as well as to and from points between Dunsmuir and the California-Oregon State Line. As justification for the authority sought, reference is made to Decision No. 46494 dated December 4, 1951, in Application No. 32545, which authorized Southern Pacific Company to discontinue certain regular passenger service by rail between Black Butte, California, and the California-Oregon State Line near Hilt,

California. This authority was granted subject to the following condition:

"Abandonment of rail service as herein authorized shall be made concurrently with the establishment of substitute motor coach service to points along U. S. Highway No. 99, with the exception of a detour from Grenada via Montague to Yreka, and also providing direct service to Hornbrook and Hilt railroad stations."

Applicant and Southern Pacific Company have entered into an agreement attached to the application as Exhibit B. Pursuant thereto applicant would provide the substitute passenger stage service contemplated by the provisions of Decision No. 46494. Among other things said agreement provides that applicant will operate a minimum of one daily round-trip schedule between Dunsmuir and Grants Pass, Oregon; would serve such Southern Pacific rail stations between those points as directed by the company; would connect with the "Shasta Daylight" trains at Dunsmuir, or as otherwise requested by the company and honor tickets of Southern Pacific to or from points along the route of operation. Applicant would receive from Southern Pacific on account of railroad tickets honored, the local rates of applicant. In consideration of the obligations assumed by applicant under its proposal and the agreement, Southern Pacific guarantees to compensate applicant in the minimum sum of fifty cents per bus mile for each bus mile operated under the agreement with a minimum of \$120 a day on the basis of two motor coaches being assigned to the proposed operation. Such compensation is based upon present costs and would be increased or decreased under a formula contained in the agreement.

After full consideration of applicant's request, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the proposed operation which will be authorized. The only other common carrier of passengers in the area has waived protest to the granting of the application. No public hearing appears to be necessary.

O R D E R

An application therefor having been filed, and the Commission having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Pacific Greyhound Lines authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers and baggage between Grenada Junction and Yreka and intermediate points, over an unnumbered county road via Grenada and Montague, and serving Southern Pacific rail stations at Hornbrook and Hilt by diversion from U. S. Highway No. 99. This certificate is granted as an extension and enlargement of and consolidated with the certificate heretofore issued by Decision No. 23244 dated December 31, 1930, in Application No. 16989.

(2) That, in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty (60) days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and comply with the provisions of General Order No. 79 and Part 19 of General Order No. 98 by filing in triplicate, and concurrently

making effective, tariffs and time
schedules satisfactory to the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of
February, 1952.

R. E. Johnson
President

Justice F. Casper
Harold A. Hale

W. ...ottel (Pattin)
John E. McMill
Commissioners