

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 46967

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
B. J. SMITH doing business as CAL TRANS)
LINES for a certificate of public)
convenience and necessity to operate)
a passenger and express service between)
Monrovia and Sierra Madre, Arcadia,)
Duarte unincorporated areas, Los Angeles)
County.)

Application No. 32762
First Supplemental

B. J. Smith in propria persona.

O P I N I O N

By this supplemental application applicant seeks to abandon the service he has been operating, commencing on December 17, 1951, between Monrovia and the unincorporated community of Duarte in Los Angeles County, under authority from this Commission. (1) The request to abandon service states that the gross revenue for the eight-week period of operation amounted to \$1,800 and a gross revenue of 6.3 cents per mile. Applicant further states that he was at the end of his finances and unable to continue.

A public hearing in the above-entitled matter was held at Monrovia on March 21, 1952, before Examiner Rowe, at which time evidence was adduced and the matter was submitted for decision.

Applicant testified that in spite of assurances of patronage and extensive advertising efforts on his part, the operation at no time proved remunerative. His total daily operating cost excluding depreciation and personal salary amounted to \$70.00 with an average revenue of \$18.54.

His first route was operated from December 17, 1951, to February 1, 1952, a total of 4,836 miles and produced a gross revenue of \$416.65 or \$.085 per mile. The second line with 2,520 miles

(1) Decision No. 46491, dated December 4, 1951, in Application No. 32762, as amended.

produced a gross revenue of \$69.14 or \$.028 per mile. The third with 3,744 miles produced a gross revenue of \$138.35 or \$.037 per mile. The second line was discontinued January 12, 1952, and the third February 4, 1952. Applicant testified that due to the tremendous loss he was unable to continue operations beyond the periods above stated.

Notice of the proposed abandonment and of the hearing thereon was duly given to the Women's Club of Monrovia, the Parent Teachers' Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the City Council and City Attorney of Monrovia, the Chamber of Commerce of Duarte, and the City of Hope, a large sanitorium in Duarte. No one appeared at the hearing to protest the granting of authority to abandon service as requested.

Upon full consideration of the record in this proceeding, it is found as a fact that applicant's passenger stage operation in and between Monrovia and Duarte has not been and cannot be made profitable by him and that consequently the public interest will not be adversely affected by authorizing the abandonment of this operation. Accordingly the application will be granted.

O R D E R

Application as above entitled having been filed, a public hearing having been hold, the Commission being fully advised in the premises and the matter being under submission,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That B. J. Smith doing business as Cal Trans Lines, be and he hereby is authorized to abandon and discontinue his passenger stage service in and between Monrovia and Duarte, California.

(2) That all fares, rules, regulations, and schedules applying to his passenger stage operation, are hereby cancelled and

annulled.

(3) That the operating rights conferred under authority of the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted to B. J. Smith doing business as Cal Trans Lines by Decision No. 46491, dated December 4, 1951, in Application No. 32762, as amended, be and the same hereby are revoked and rescinded.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of April, 1952.

R. I. Zimmerman
 PRESIDENT
Justice J. Calver
Harold A. Kula
Lawrence H. Patton
John E. ...
 COMMISSIONERS