

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 46969

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
M & W BUS LINES, INC., a California)
corporation, for a certificate of) Application No. 33131
public convenience and necessity to)
extend service to U. S. Navy Base.)

Cameron and Honberger, by Herbert Cameron, for
applicant. John K. Colwell, City Attorney for
City of Santa Ana; Lt. Lloyd G. Skelton,
representing Marine Corps Air Facility,
interested parties.

O P I N I O N

M & W Bus Lines, Inc., applicant herein, now operates a passenger stage service in Orange County between the City of Santa Ana, Tustin, and the U. S. Marine Corps Base near El Toro (Decision No. 43507). It requests authority to extend its passenger stage service to the Marine Corps Air Facility (formerly known as the Naval Lighter-Than-Air Base), situated approximately five miles southeasterly of Santa Ana, diverging approximately two miles from the present El Toro route.

Present fares and zones will be retained and a new zone will be established between U. S. Highway 101 and the entrance to the said Air Facility situated near the intersection of Valencia Avenue and Red Hill Avenue in county territory. The proposed fare will be 20 cents one way between Santa Ana and the new base, 10 cents for the first zone and five cents additional for each of the other two zones. The minimum fare for a one-zone ride will be 10 cents. The fare between El Toro and the new base will be 15 cents (two zones).

A public hearing was held in Santa Ana on March 5, 1952. The application was not opposed.

The transportation officer at the Marine Corps Air Facility and his aide testified in favor of the application. Their testimony shows that the Marine Corps Air Facility is a permanent base where several thousand Marines are stationed; that the base is almost filled to capacity; that a need now exists for the proposed service; that a bus service will eliminate the necessity of using government buses, will reduce the number of privately owned cars, and will also reduce hitchhiking and attendant dangers; that the service should be established as soon as possible.

Applicant will commence operating two round-trips at night and will revise its schedules, if necessary, to meet the needs of the service men.

Having fully considered the application and the evidence adduced, and finding that public convenience and necessity so require, the application will be granted.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held in the above-entitled matter, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it hereby is, granted to M & W Bus Lines, Inc., a corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of a service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of persons in Orange County between the intersection of U. S. Highway 101 and Newport Boulevard

and the entrance to the Marine Corps Air Facility situated near the intersection of Valencia Avenue and Red Hill Avenue, as an extension and enlargement of and to be consolidated with its present operative right.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, there shall be compliance with 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.
- c. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time, M & W Bus Lines, Inc. shall conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the following-described route:

Beginning at the intersection of U. S. Highway 101 and Newport Boulevard, thence along Newport Boulevard, Valencia Avenue to the Marine Corps Air Facility, thence returning along Red Hill Avenue to U. S. Highway 101 and point of beginning.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of April, 1952.

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 President
Justice F. Craven
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 Commissioners