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Decision No. 48071

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a corporation, for an In Lieu Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for modification of operation of its Los Angeles-Hellman Avenue Line.

Application No. 33834

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, has authority pursuant to Decision No. 46471, dated November 27, 1951, on Application No. 32443, to operate its Los Angeles-Wilmar via Hellman Avenue Line, Route No. 69, via a route in the City of Alhambra which includes service along Ramona Freeway between its intersection with Alise Street and Hellman Avenue subject to a restriction against the pickup and discharge of passengers on the freeway. It requests authority to reroute the described portion of its Route No. 69 to operate outbound via Ramona Freeway as at present, and inbound from Hellman Avenue and Ramona Freeway via Hellman-Fremont Avenues frontage road, Fremont Avenue, Fremont Avenue underpass, Hellman Avenue, Orange Grove Avenue, Ramona Freeway frontage road, and Ramona Freeway to Aliso Street.

Applicant alleges that, due to the construction of the Ramona Freeway, the described portion of the route was changed temporarily by the Highway Department. As the freeway is

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completed, traffic may now be routed eastbound via the original routing but westbound traffic must use the Fremont Avenue underpass across the freeway. Instead of coming into Los Angeles directly via Ramona Freeway from the underpass applicant proposes the routing set forth above, at the request of the (1) Southwest Alhambra Property Owners' Association. This routing would allegedly serve more residents north of the freeway than a service directly via the Ramona Freeway.

The City of Alhambra has no objection to the proposed routing and the Division of Highways of the Department of Public Works of California has no objection provided that the existing restriction against the boarding or alighting of passengers along Ramona Freeway is continued in effect.

No change in fares or equipment is to be made.

Upon the allegations of the application herein, we find that the proposed rerouting is in the public interest and it will be authorized. A public hearing is not necessary.

Applicant also requests authority to operate passenger stages not exceeding 40 feet in length and 102 inches in width over the herein described new routing. Applicant has such authority as to the present route (Decision No. 46222, dated September 25, 1951, on Application No. 32574), and, therefore, applicant will be authorized to operate such buses over the new routing herein authorized.

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(1) Exhibit "B" on application.

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ORDER

Upon the findings and conclusions set forth in the foregoing opinion,

IT IS ORDERED that the route description of Pacific Electric Railway Company's Los Angeles-Wilmar via Hellman Avenue Line, Route No. 69, as set forth on pages 14 and 15 of Appendix A of Decision No. 46471, dated November 27, 1951, on Application No. 32443, is amended to read as follows:

Route No. 69 - Los Angeles-Hellman Avenue Line

From Main Street Station at 6th and Main Streets (Los Angeles), via Main Street, or as an alternate from Los Angeles Street Terminal (Los Angeles), via Los Angeles Street, 6th Street, San Pedro Street, Aliso Street, Ramona Freeway, Fremont-Hellman Avenues frontage road, Hellman Avenue, and Walnut Grove Avenue to Garvey Avenue.

Return via Walnut Grove Avenue, Hellman Avenue, Hellman-Fremont Avenues frontage road, Fremont Avenue, Fremont Avenue underpass, Hellman Avenue, Orange Grove Avenue, Ramona Freeway frontage road, Ramona Freeway, Aliso Street, San Pedro Street, 5th Street, and Maple Avenue to the Los Angeles Terminal.

<u>RESTRICTION:</u> Passengers may not be received or discharged on the fully operating freeway of Ramona Freeway from the east bank of the Los Angeles River to Fremont Avenue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company is authorized to operate passenger stages not to exceed 40 feet in length and 102 inches in width, over the routes and between the points specified in the first ordering paragraph of the order herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company shall post notices in all buses operating over Route No. 69, and in its terminals, indicating specifically the changes in routings and in the applicable time schedules which would result from operations conducted pursuant to this order. Such notices shall be posted and shall remain continuously posted during a period of not less than five (5) days prior to the establishment of service pursuant to such order over said routes. Proof of such posting shall be filed with this Commission within thirty (30) days after the establishment of such service.

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

Dated at Las Minelos, California, this 16th day of PIPINGIA 1952.

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