## ORIGINAL

Decision No. 48892

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of BENINGER TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC., a California corporation, for authority to reroute a portion of its El Sobrante line in the City of San Pablo.

Application No. 34176

Marquam C. George, for applicant.
Wayne E. Thompson, City Manager of
Richmond, and Thomas M. Carlson,
City Attorney of Richmond, by
Frederick Boles, Jr., Special
Assistant to Richmond City Attorney,
interested parties.

## OPINION

In the above-entitled proceeding Beninger Transportation Service, Inc., requests a modification of its route of operation between El Sobrante and the City of Richmond. A public hearing thereon was held before Examiner Paul at Richmond on July 2, 1953 and the matter was submitted. (The application was filed March 23, 1953.) The proposed modification involves the area at the intersection of U.S. Highway No. 40 and County Road No. 20 in the City of San Pablo. Applicant's plan will not involve any change in fares or service.

Use of the present route between El Sobrente and Richmond requires a left-hand turn from County Road No. 20 into U.S. Highway No. 40 to reach 23rd Street. Recently this intersection has been posted with a sign prohibiting such left-hand turns. According to the record left-hand turns into U.S. Highway No. 40 from Balboa Road about 4/10 of a mile northerly of the County Road No. 20 intersection may be made as proposed. This would involve discontinuance of operations along Aguiar Road and County Road No. 20

for a distance of about 4/10 of a mile. A witness for applicant stated that no one resides along that part of County Road No. 20 which it desires to discontinue using. Patrons living on Aguiar Road would have a short walk to Balboa Road. It was shown that applicant's present route crosses U.S. Highway No. 40 at a curve under heavy traffic conditions which creates an unusual hazard which would be lessened by use of the proposed route.

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No one opposed applicant's plan. We hereby find that public convenience and necessity require the proposed route modification which will be authorized.

## ORDER

An application therefor having been filed, a public hearing having been held thereon and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require,

## IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Beninger Transportation Service, Inc., is hereby authorized to discontinue passenger stage service over Aguiar Road and County Road No. 20 between the intersections of such roads with Balboa Road and U. S. Highway No. 40.
- (2) That the route described in the second paragraph of paragraph 3 (i) (b) 2. of the order of Decision No. 40686 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Also from the junction of County Road No. 7 (San Pablo Dam Road) and County Road No. 20 along County Road No. 20 to its junction with Fordham Street; thence along Fordham Street to Brook Way; thence along Brook Way to Glenlock Street; thence along Glenlock Street to Rollingwood Drive, and along Rollingwood Drive to its junction with County Road No. 20; thence along County Road No. 20 to Castro Road; thence along Castro Road to Marsh Road; thence along Marsh Road to Balboa Road; thence along Balboa Road to U.S. Highway No. 40; thence along U.S. Highway No. 40 and 23rd Street to Rheem Avenue."

(3) That said Decision No. 40686 in all other respects shall remain in full force and effect.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof. /

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Commissioners

Commissioner. Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition. Old proceeding.