

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 49043

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 SOUTH LOS ANGELES TRANSPORTATION CO. )  
 for authority to re-route its )  
 Compton Central Line by abandoning )  
 service on Imperial Highway between )  
 Central Ave. and Avalon Blvd.; )  
 Avalon Blvd. between Imperial High- )  
 way and Manchester Avenue, and )  
 extending service on Central Ave. )  
 from Imperial Highway to Manchester )  
 Avenue and on Manchester Avenue )  
 between Avalon Blvd. and Central )  
 Avenue. )

Application No. 34529

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a corporation performing service as a passenger stage corporation in Los Angeles and cities and communities in the vicinity and to the south and east thereof, including service on Manchester Avenue between its intersection with Broadway and Avalon Boulevard, on Avalon Boulevard between its intersections with Manchester Avenue and Imperial Highway, and on Imperial Highway between Avalon Boulevard and Central Avenue. (1) By the application herein it seeks authority to extend service from the intersection of Manchester Avenue and Avalon Boulevard via Manchester Boulevard and Central

(1) Decision No. 40694, dated September 10, 1947, on Application No. 28523; Decision No. 47443, dated July 8, 1952, on Application No. 33431.

Avenue to the intersection of Central Avenue and Imperial Highway, <sup>(2)</sup> and to abandon service along Imperial Highway between its intersections with Avalon Boulevard and Central Avenue.

As grounds for granting the requested authority applicant alleges that its services are not properly utilized for the reason that it has two buses serving on Avalon Boulevard between Manchester Avenue and Imperial Highway and there is no public transportation service on Central Avenue north of 103rd Street. An associate transportation engineer of the Commission investigated the situation. He reported that the extension as proposed will provide service to the area adjacent to Central Avenue between 103rd Street and Manchester Avenue. This area is not presently served except by walking excessive distances to lines of Atkinson Transportation Co. He stated further that the extension will provide a direct transfer at Manchester Avenue and Central Avenue with Los Angeles Transit Lines "S" line, thereby benefiting persons living south of Imperial Highway in the Lynwood and Compton areas and working in industrial plants located along and adjacent to Central Avenue north of Manchester Avenue. These persons must now use the present service to Manchester Avenue and San Pedro Street, then travel via Los Angeles Transit Lines San Pedro bus line and transfer again to the "S" line at 62nd and San Pedro Streets.

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(2) Applicant designates this as a rerouting of a particular line. As it intends to continue service via Avalon Boulevard the application is in reality a request for an extension and an abandonment.

Because of the time involved and the circuitous route, many persons have refused to use the present service. Relative to the abandonment of service on Imperial Highway between Central Avenue and Avalon Boulevard, the engineer reported that Atkinson Transportation Company operates a service between these points via Imperial Highway. The maximum walking distance to reach applicant's service on Avalon Boulevard or proposed service on Central Avenue is one-quarter mile.

If the request is granted, applicant will provide service at intervals of 15 minutes or less on Avalon Boulevard and at not to exceed one-half hourly intervals on Central Avenue.

Atkinson Transportation Company provides a service along Central Avenue between Imperial Highway and 103rd Street and along Hooper Avenue, two blocks east of Central Avenue, between 92nd Street and Firestone Boulevard (Manchester Avenue). At Firestone Boulevard the line makes a loop via Manchester Avenue (Firestone Boulevard) to Central Avenue. Atkinson Transportation Company has indicated it has no objection to the granting of the requested authority. (3)

The Los Angeles Transit Lines has a service on Manchester Avenue proceeding from west of Avalon Boulevard to east of Central Avenue. Its operation will not be impaired if applicant is prohibited from picking up and discharging passengers in the extension along Manchester Avenue between Avalon

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(3) See Atkinson letter dated August 7, 1953, in formal file.

Boulevard and Central Avenue as set forth in the order herein.

The City of Los Angeles has no objection to the proposal.

Applicant alleges that it will not require any additional equipment to render the proposed services and its fares will be in accordance with its existing tariffs on file with this Commission.

Upon the allegations of the verified application, the report of the Commission's engineer, and the records of this Commission, we are of the opinion and find that public convenience and necessity require that the applicant be given the authority it has requested. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

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 hereby is granted to South Los Angeles Transportation Co., a corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of a service as a passenger stage corporation, as that term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of persons between the intersection of Central Avenue and Imperial Highway, on the one hand, and the intersection of Manchester Avenue and Avalon Boulevard, on the other hand, as an extension of and to be consolidated with applicant's existing rights.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, there shall be compliance with the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate and concurrently make effective tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission.
- (c) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such passenger stage operation at any time, South Los Angeles Transportation Co. shall conduct said operation over and along the following described route:

From the intersection of Imperial Highway and Central Avenue, via Central Avenue and Manchester Avenue to its intersection with Avalon Boulevard.

Applicant is authorized to turn its motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

(3) That the authority herein granted is subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

- (a) No passengers shall be transported having point of origin along Manchester Avenue between Central Avenue and Stanford Avenue, both points inclusive, and having point of destination along Manchester Avenue between Avalon Boulevard and Broadway, both points inclusive.

- (b) No passengers shall be transported having point of origin along Manchester Avenue between Broadway and Avalon Boulevard, both points inclusive, and having point of destination along Manchester Avenue between Stanford Avenue and Central Avenue, both points inclusive.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that South Los Angeles Transportation Co., a corporation, is authorized to discontinue service over and along Imperial Highway between its intersections with Central Avenue and Avalon Boulevard, subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) The public shall be given not less than ten days' advance notice of the proposed discontinuance by the posting of notices in all buses used in the service over the portion of the route proposed to be abandoned, and at all passenger stops along the route involved.
- (2) Applicant shall make any necessary changes in its tariffs and time tables and shall, within thirty days after the discontinuance of service, notify the Commission in writing of its compliance with this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of September, 1953.

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President  
Justus J. Gaiser  
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Commissioners