

ORIGINAL

Decision No: 50596

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES) for authority to abandon bus service) between West Sherman Oaks and West Los) Angeles.)	Application No. 35475
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O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Pacific Greyhound Lines requests authority to discontinue passenger stage service between West Sherman Oaks and West Los Angeles over its direct Route No. 13.10 as set forth at First Revised Page 38 of Appendix A of Decision No. 47907. The service proposed to be abandoned consists of a segment of a local route between San Fernando and Santa Monica. The operative right was acquired by applicant in 1940 as incidental to the acquisition of operative rights between San Fernando and Santa Monica and between Santa Monica and Long Beach and intermediate points subject to certain restrictions. (Decision No. 32906 in Application No. 23352).

Applicant states that service over the route involved has always been primarily local in nature and in so far as the segment proposed to be abandoned is concerned, has attracted very little traffic. Applicant asserts that while the segments of the route between San Fernando and Pacoima (U. S. Highway 101) and between Pacoima and Sherman Oaks (Van Nuys Blvd.) can be served with through equipment, the segment between Sherman Oaks and Santa Monica can be served only with the local buses which depend upon the local traffic to sustain the expense of its operation.

In further justification for the authority sought applicant alleges that in an effort to develop additional traffic on the

route involved, it applied for and received authority from this Commission to reroute this service via the U.C.L.A. Campus (Decision No. 48826 in Application No. 34310). No additional traffic was developed by this rerouting.

A recent survey shows that no passengers were carried locally within the area between West Los Angeles and West Sherman Oaks. All passengers transported along the route either originated or terminated beyond those points. According to applicant's Exhibit No. 3 the distance between these points is 9.8 miles. One round trip daily is operated. The results of a 17-day check by applicant in summary show the following results:

	<u>Sched. 1800</u>	<u>Sched. 1801</u>	<u>Combined Schedules</u>
(1) Number of Passengers	49	91	140
Revenue	\$11.24	\$21.51	\$32.75
Daily Average Number of Passengers	2.88	5.35	8.24
(2) Daily Average Revenue per Bus Mile	\$.0675	\$.1291	\$.0983

Applicant's summary indicates that it transported approximately three passengers southbound and five passengers northbound on the average during the check period which compares with a later study made by an engineer of the Commission's staff which shows an approximate average of $4 \frac{1}{7}$ passengers per day traveling over this route southbound and an average of approximately $5 \frac{5}{7}$ passengers traveling in the opposite direction. According to applicant and the report of the Commission's engineer no passengers had origin or destination in the territory along the route proposed to be discontinued during either check period. The application and the Commission engineer's report indicate that other common carrier transportation facilities are available in the area as well as that

of applicant by a somewhat longer route which would require a transfer.

After full consideration of applicant's request we are of the opinion that public convenience and necessity no longer require passenger stage service by applicant between West Sherman Oaks and West Los Angeles over the route above described. Therefore the application will be granted. No protest to the application has been received and a public hearing appears to be unnecessary.

ORDER

An application therefore having been filed, the Commission being fully informed therein and based upon the evidence presented,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Pacific Greyhound Lines is hereby authorized to discontinue passenger stage service between West Sherman Oaks and the junction of Westwood Blvd. and U. S. Highway 66 and intermediate points over and along California Highway 7, Sunset Blvd. and Westwood Blvd. provided that notice of discontinuance of service between such points shall be posted in all vehicles operated over the described route at least ten days continuously next prior to the time of such discontinuance.

(2) That Route No. 13.10 as set forth in First Revised Page 38 of Appendix A of Decision No. 47907 is hereby amended to read as set forth in Second Revised Page 38 of Appendix A attached hereto.

(3) That Appendix A of said Decision No. 47907 is hereby amended by incorporating therein Second Revised Page 38 referred to in paragraph (2) of this order.

(4) That the operative authority created by the rerouting authorized in paragraph (2) of this order is hereby consolidated with and made a part of the operative right created by Decision

No. 47907 and is subject to all the provisions therein set forth.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of September, 1954.

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 PRESIDENT

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APPENDIX A

PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES

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13.08 - Between Burbank Junction and Hollywood:

From junction of U. S. Highway 99 and Lankershim Boulevard (Burbank Junction), over Lankershim Boulevard to junction U. S. Highway 101 (Universal City Junction), thence over U. S. Highway 101 (Cahuenga Boulevard) to Hollywood.

13.09 - Between Victory Drive Junction and junction of Castelar Street and Sunset Boulevard:

From Victory Drive Junction, over Victory Drive to junction Riverside Drive, thence over Riverside Drive to junction North Figueroa Street, thence over North Figueroa Street to junction Castelar Street, thence over Castelar Street to Junction Sunset Boulevard, to be operated as an alternate route.

*13.10 - Between Pacoima and East Sherman Oaks:

From the junction of Van Nuys Boulevard and U. S. Highway 99 (Pacoima), over Van Nuys Boulevard to junction U. S. Highway 101 (East Sherman Oaks).

13.11 - Between junction of Van Nuys Boulevard and Oxnard Street and junction of Oxnard Street and Lankershim Boulevard:

From junction of Van Nuys Boulevard and Oxnard Street, over Oxnard Street to junction Lankershim Boulevard.

13.12 - Between the Nevada-California State Line north of Coleville and Saugus:

From the point where U. S. Highway 395 intersects the Nevada-California State Line, over U. S. Highway 395 to Inyokern, thence over unnumbered highway to junction U. S. Highway 6 (Inyokern Junction), thence over U. S. Highway 6 to North Saugus Road Junction, thence over unnumbered highway to Saugus.

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*Changed by Decision No. 50596.

Correction No. 73.