

Decision No. 51805**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )	
AIRPORTTRANSIT, a corporation, for )	
a certificate of public convenience )	Application No. 36699
and necessity authorizing the exten- )	
sion of operations as a passenger )	
stage corporation. )	

Arlo D. Poe, for applicant.Glanz & Russell by Theodore W. Russell, for  
Beverly Hills Garage, Inc., protestant.O P I N I O N

Applicant requests authority to transport airline passengers and airline employees and their baggage between The Beverly Hilton Hotel in the City of Beverly Hills, on the one hand, and the Los Angeles International Airport in the City of Los Angeles and Lockheed Air Terminal in the City of Burbank, on the other hand, as an extension of the service now rendered by applicant between some of the principal hotels in the Los Angeles area and said airports.

Beverly Hills Garage, Inc., a corporation, is protesting the application on the grounds that it is now authorized to serve between the Beverly Hills Hotel in the City of Beverly Hills and said Los Angeles International Airport and named intermediate  
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points.

A public hearing was held in Los Angeles before Examiner Mark V. Chiesa. Oral and documentary evidence having been adduced, the matter was submitted for decision.

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(1) The Beverly Hills Hotel is situated near the intersection of Sunset Boulevard and Canon Drive, and The Beverly Hilton is at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard. Protestant's other points of service in Beverly Hills are the Pacific Electric Railway Company depot, situated at Santa Monica Boulevard and Canon Drive in Beverly Hills, and the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, situated on Wilshire Boulevard near El Camino Drive.

The evidence of record shows, and we find, that The Beverly Hilton Hotel, located at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard, will open sometime in August 1955; that it will be one of the largest hotels in the west; that thousands of persons annually will patronize said hotel; that many of the hotel guests will require public transportation to and from the Los Angeles International Airport and the Lockheed Terminal; that no direct bus service is now available between said hotel and said airport; that applicant is now rendering a specialized bus service as herein proposed between said airports and other first-class hotels located in Los Angeles and Hollywood; that applicant's proposed fares will be the same as it now charges between its Los Angeles and Hollywood terminals and said airports; that applicant has convenient parking, loading and unloading facilities at the Los Angeles International Airport; that The Beverly Hilton Hotel wants applicant to serve its guests and will provide applicant with loading and unloading space; and that there is a public need for the service.

Protestant now operates a service between certain Beverly Hills points and the Los Angeles International Airport, which service is unlike that which applicant proposes in that the latter specializes in the transportation of airline passengers in deluxe Flexible buses, while protestant is using 7-passenger Cadillacs. Applicant's proposed one-way fare is \$1.09, plus tax, which is its present fare to and from Hollywood and Los Angeles hotels. Protestant's one-way fare from Beverly Hills points is \$1.74 plus tax.

Having considered all the evidence, the Commission is of the opinion, and finds, that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service as proposed by applicant. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held, 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 AirporTransit, a corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service, as that term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of airline passengers and airline employees, and their baggage, between The Beverly Hilton Hotel in the City of Beverly Hills, on the one hand, and the Los Angeles International Airport and the Lockheed Air Terminal, on the other hand, as an extension and enlargement of and to be consolidated with its present operating authority, subject, however, to any and all restrictions on present operations as heretofore imposed by any authority previously granted to or acquired by AirporTransit from this Commission.

(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 at any time, AirportTransit shall conduct said passenger stage operations over and along the following described route:

The most appropriate public streets and highways between the points hereinabove authorized to be served.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of August, 1955.

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President

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Commissioners