Decision No. 52111

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the SAN DIEGO TRANSIT SYSTEM, a corporation, for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate "On Call" bus service between various schools in the area served by applicant and Camp Cuyamaca and Camp Palomar in San Diego County.

Application No. 37281.

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Applicant operates an extensive passenger stage service in the City of San Diego and vicinity. By this application it seeks authority to establish an "On-Call" bus service between various schools situated in the areas it now serves and Camp Palomar, situated in or near Palomar Mountain State Park, and Camp Cuyamaca, situated in or near Cuyamaca State Park. The former camp is approximately 65 miles and the latter is approximately 50 miles from San Diego.

The proposed fare is \$1.82 round trip to each camp. No additional equipment will be required as the service will not be operated during the morning or afternoon peak periods. It is alleged that the proposed fare will result in a reasonable profit for the operation. A minimum of thirty round-trip fares will be required.

As justification for the establishment of the proposed service, applicant alleges that the San Diego City and County Camp Commission operates camps at Cuyamaca and Mt. Palomar, in the County of San Diego at which each sixth grade public school student in the County of San Diego is entitled to spend one week during the school year; that each week during the school year 90 to 135 sixth graders go to camp on Monday and return on Friday; that approximately 6,000 to 7,000 students make this trip each school year; that the proposed "On-Call" service would also be available during the school vacation period for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who use the camps during the summer.

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The proposed service is not competitive with that of other carriers.

The Commission, having considered applicant's proposal, is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service as proposed. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not deemed necessary.

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Application having been made, 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 San Diego Transit System, a corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of an "On-Call" service as a "passenger stage corporation", as said term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of grade school pupils and children attending summer camps, including school and summer camp personnel, between schools in areas served by applicant, on the one hand, and Camp Palomar and Camp Cuyamaca, on the other hand, subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

- (a) All passengers must be destined to or originate at Camp Palomar or Camp Cuyamaca; and must embark or disembark in San Diego, at schools or other central loading points.
- (b) Applicant may refuse to render said service for less than a minimum of thirty round-trip fares.

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(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, San Diego Transit System shall conduct said passenger stage operations over and along the following described routes:

Camp Cuyamaca:

Beginning at the various schools, thence via shortest route to State Highway 80, thence along State Highways 80 and 79 to Camp Cuyamaca.

Camp Palomar:

Beginning at the various schools, thence via shortest route to State Highway 395 to Poway cutoff, thence along State Highway 67 to Ramona, State Highway 78 to Santa Ysabel, State Highway 79 to Morettis Corner, State Highway 76 to Palomar Mt. Road, Palomar Mt. Road and State Park Road to Camp Palomar.

The effective date of this order shall be ten days after

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