

Decision No. 53506

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 TRANSCONTINENTAL BUS SYSTEM, INC.,)
 and AMERICAN BUSLINES, INC., a)
 Delaware corporation, Debtor, In)
 Corporate Reorganization Under)
 Chapter X, by Its Trustee, Richard) Application No. 38258
 W. Smith, and Its Additional Trustee,)
 W. F. Aikman, For Authority Under the)
 Provisions of Section 732 of the)
 Public Utilities Code to Establish)
 Joint Through Special Reserved Seat)
 Charges and Services.)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are passenger stage corporations. Trans-continental Bus System, Inc. operates, among other places, between Stockton, Modesto, Merced, Fresno, Bakersfield, Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Clemente, Oceanside and San Diego. American Buslines, Inc. operates, among other places, between Sacramento and Stockton. By Decisions Nos. 52376, 53248 and 53292 of December 20, 1955, June 19 and 26, 1956, respectively, in Application No. 37556, Transcontinental Bus System, Inc., was authorized to establish special service charges in connection with a de luxe express service operated between San Francisco and Los Angeles and certain intermediate points. By a decision issued today in Second Supplemental Application No. 37556 it was authorized to extend the special service charges to cover additional points of Stockton, Long Beach, San Clemente, Oceanside and San Diego. By a separate decision issued today in Application No. 38257, American Buslines, Inc. was authorized to establish a similar charge between Sacramento and Stockton.

The instant application seeks authority to establish, on August 1, 1956, on less than statutory notice, joint through special service charges between Sacramento and San Diego and certain intermediate points.¹ The point of interchange would be Stockton.

Applicants point out that they now have joint through fares between the points involved for the transportation of passengers in standard equipment and with standard service. They state that the proposed service charges will recover only the cost of the special services.

Interested parties have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection to its being granted has been received.

Upon consideration of all the facts and circumstances, it is concluded that the proposed joint special service charges are justified. So that applicants may establish the service and charges as soon as possible, the following order will be made effective on the date hereof and authority will be granted to establish the charges herein authorized on less than statutory notice.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Transcontinental Bus System, Inc., and American Buslines, Inc., be and they are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than two days' notice to the Commission and the public, the joint through special service charges as

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The special service charges would apply only on certain designated schedules. They range from 50 cents to \$2.25. They would apply in addition to the present passenger fares.

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specifically set forth in the application filed in this proceeding.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 31st day
of July, 1956.

John E. Mitchell
President
Paul J. Lutermer
W. J. [unclear]
R. Hardy

Commissioners