

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 53617

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of: )  
TRANSCONTINENTAL BUS SYSTEM, INC., )  
a Delaware Corporation, for a certifi- )  
cate of public convenience and neces- )  
sity authorizing the transportation of )  
newspapers and express on passenger )  
carrying vehicles, between points and )  
places said Transcontinental Bus System, )  
Inc., is presently authorized to serve )  
as a passenger stage corporation, as )  
that term is defined in Section 226 of )  
the Public Utilities Code. )

Application No. 37852

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for applicant.

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests that it be authorized to transport shipments of express weighing one hundred pounds or less and newspapers, on passenger carrying vehicles, between all points which it is now authorized to serve in intrastate commerce in California via the routes now authorized to be traversed and subject to the same restrictions now applicable to the transportation of passengers and their baggage.

Applicant is now authorized by this Commission to operate an intrastate passenger stage service, generally, between San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Barstow, Needles, San Bernardino, Indio and Blythe and intermediate points as more specifically set forth in Decisions Nos. 49871, 51096 and 51458 subject to certain restrictions and along the routes as therein set forth.

As the present certificate is not uniform as to baggage, express and newspapers, applicant desires to clarify its operating authority in respect to the such incidental transportation service.

A public hearing was held in Los Angeles before Examiner Mark V. Chiesa.

The application, as amended, was not opposed and the evidence of record shows that applicant is able to perform the proposed service and has the necessary equipment and trained personnel. Several witnesses testified that there is a public need for the proposed transportation service.

Applicant proposes to make charges for services in the transportation of newspapers and express in the amount and subject to the rules and regulations as set forth in Pacific Greyhound Lines, et al., Local, Interdivision and Joint Express Tariff No. Z-14-A Cal. P.U.C. No. 13, and amendments and supplements thereto, between points where the same may be applicable on applicant's routes and to charge for such services substantially the amount and subject to the rules and regulations as set forth in National Bus Traffic Association, Inc., Agent, Local and Joint Express Tariff No. A-345 and amendments and supplements thereto between points where said Tariff No. Z-14-A Cal. P.U.C. No. 3 above described may not be applicable. It will publish and file its own tariff.

The Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require that applicant establish and operate a transportation service as proposed and therefore 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 Transcontinental Bus System, Inc., a corporation, be, and it hereby is, granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to operate as a "passenger stage corporation," as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of express (including newspapers) when transported incidentally to the transportation of passengers between points and places as more specifically set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(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. By accepting the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, applicant is placed on notice that it will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of its operations and to comply with and observe the safety rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98. Failure to file such reports, in such form and at such time as the Commission may direct, or to comply with and observe the provisions of General Order No. 98, may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

(b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and on 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1956.

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President  
*Justin J. Quince*  
*Ralph L. Terence*  
*P. H. Hodge*

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Commissioners

Peter E. Mitchell  
Commissioner ~~Matthew J. Dooley~~, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

