

Decision No. 54004

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
 CHARLES F. HUSHBECK, dba WATSONVILLE
 BUS LINES, for authority to discontinue
 and abandon Bus Service on portions of
 present routes.

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O P I N I O N

Charles F. Hushbeck, doing business as Watsonville Bus Lines and presently rendering a passenger stage service in Watsonville and the vicinity thereof, requests authority to discontinue his Route No. 4, a portion of his Route No. 1, and to increase service to the Freedom area from an hourly to a half-hourly schedule.

As justification for the authority sought it is alleged that patronage of the Pajaro-Southern Pacific portion of Route No. 1 has decreased steadily since January 1, 1955, due to the fact that farming procedures in the Pajaro Valley have changed causing less packing shed work; that revenue from said route decreased from 15¢ per mile for the first six months of 1955 to 7¢ per mile for the first six months of 1956, and that revenue from Route No. 4 decreased from 20¢ per mile for the first six months of 1955 to 11¢ per mile for the same period in 1956. Applicant's basic operating costs are 21¢ per mile.

Applicant served copies of the application upon officials of the County of Santa Cruz and the City of Watsonville. Notice of the proposed changes was posted in applicant's bus for six consecutive days. No one has opposed the granting of the authority sought.

After consideration the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that the authority sought should be granted. No authority is required from this Commission for applicant to increase service.

O R D E R

Application having been filed and the Commission having been informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Route 1 as set forth in Decision No. 50543 dated September 14, 1954, in Application No. 35745 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Route 1: Commencing at the intersection of Main and Peck Streets in the City of Watsonville, thence along Main Street, North Main Street, Freedom Boulevard, Buena Vista Drive, Calabaras Road, Bowker Avenue, North Drive, Buena Vista Drive, Freedom Boulevard, Roache Road, Sunny Hills Drive, Holley Drive, Airport Road, Roache Road, Freedom Boulevard, North Main Street, Main Street to Peck Street.

(2) That the operating authority granted in Decision No. 50840 dated December 7, 1954 in Application No. 35745 is hereby revoked.

(3) That within sixty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall currently file and make effective appropriate tariffs and timetables reflecting the authority herein granted.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 30th day of OCTOBER, 1956.

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Commissioners