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Decision No. <u>54298</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Sequeia Stages, a corporation, doing business under the name and style of EASTSHORE LINES, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a passenger stage service between Lafayette, Contra Costa County and Orinda Village, Contra Costa County.

Application No. 38355

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Sequoia Stages, a corporation, doing business as Eastshore Lines, requests authority to provide a passenger stage service between Lafayette and Orinda Village and intermediate points via Moraga and St. Marys College.

Applicant proposes a fare of 20 cents. It owns and operates two buses and as of August 12, 1956 shows a net worth of \$26,333.45.

As justification for the authority sought applicant alleges that it is presently operating a bus service over the proposed route for parochial school children; that there is no existing service over said route and that it has received requests for service from residents along St. Marys Road and Moraga Highway who wish transportation to Orinda and Lafayette.

After consideration the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the authority sought. A public hearing is not necessary.

Applicant is hereby placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may

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be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, they extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business over a particular route. This monopoly feature may be changed or destroyed at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

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Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises;

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Sequoia Stages, a corporation, doing business as Eastshore Lines, authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers between Lafayette and Orinda Village and intermediate points.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the follow-ing regulations:

- (a) Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within thirty days after the effective date hereof.
- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall file in triplicate and concurrently make effective, appropriate tariffs and timetables.

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(c) Subject to the authority of the Commission to change or modify it at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct the service herein authorized over and along the following route:

Commencing at Greyhound Lafayette Depot, via Moraga Road, Glenside Road, St. Marys Road, Moraga Highway to the terminal at Orinda Village. Return via same route to point of commencement.

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

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