

Decision No. 54457

ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 GIBSON LINES, a Corporation, for an)
 order authorizing abandonment of) Application No. 38412
 service between Sacramento, Folsom,)
 Represa and Mather Field.)

Leo M. Fitzwilliam for applicant.
George W. Ballard for the Brotherhood
 of Railroad Trainmen, protestant.
Edward K. Ryan for U.S.A.F., Mather
 Air Force Base, interested party.
Earl A. Bagby for Pacific Greyhound,
 interested party.
Charles W. Overhouse for the Commission's
 staff.

O P I N I O N

Gibson Lines, presently rendering a passenger stage service between various points within the state, originally requested authority to discontinue service between Sacramento and Represa via Mather Field. Just prior to submission of the matter following a public hearing before Examiner Thomas E. Daly at Sacramento on December 4, 1956, the application was amended on the record, and authority was requested to abandon service between Cordova and Represa only.

The record indicates that applicant has operated two round trip schedules daily between Sacramento and Mather Field and one round trip daily between Sacramento and Represa. For the period August 1, 1955, to July 31, 1956, applicant experienced an estimated net loss of \$5,203.78 on its operations between Sacramento and Mather Field and an estimated net loss of \$3,703.11 for the same period on its operations between Sacramento and Represa.

Cordova is an area of subdivisions located in the vicinity of Mills and Mather Field. Residents of that area appeared and testified that applicant is providing a necessary service particularly for the transportation of parochial school children. No one testified as to a need for the Represa service. A representative of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen attempted to show that applicant's poor financial showing was attributable to defective equipment, which resulted in delays and missed schedules. The record does not support such a contention. Pacific Greyhound Lines, which operates a service between Sacramento and Folsom via Cordova and Mills, did not protest the authority sought. The purpose of its showing was to indicate that it also was operating at a loss and if the authority sought is granted that the order should contain an appropriate provision requiring applicant to again provide service if a future need should develop.

In view of the fact that applicant amended its application requesting authority to abandon service between Cordova and Represa only and in view of the fact that the record indicates that there is no present need for its service between said points, the application as amended will be granted. The Commission is of the opinion that the record does not justify conditioning the order in the manner suggested by Pacific Greyhound Lines.

O R D E R

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

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Gibson Lines is hereby authorized to discontinue service between Cordova and Represa and intermediate points.
2. That subparagraph 6 appearing on page 4 and subparagraph (f) appearing on page 7 as set forth in the order portion

of Decision No. 35292 dated April 28, 1942, in Application No. 24889 are hereby amended to read as follows:

" 6. Between Sacramento and the intersection of Zinfandel Drive and Folsom Boulevard (U. S. Highway 50) in Cordova via Mather Field.

(f) Via U. S. Highway 50 between Sacramento and intersection with Zinfandel Drive in Cordova serving Mather Field by most appropriate roads."

3. That 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 amend its tariff and timetables on file with this Commission to reflect the authority herein granted.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 29th day of JANUARY, 1957.

[Signature]
President

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]
Commissioners