

Decision No. 54908**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 AZTEC BUS LINES, INC., to operate ) Application No. 38736  
 bus service between Coronado and )  
 Imperial Beach; to establish fares, )  
 tariffs and schedules. )

John M. Jeffrey, attorney, for applicant.  
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 San Diego Transit System; Al Carnesciali,  
 for City of Imperial Beach; Josepa Zauri,  
 for North Island Association, interested  
 parties.  
William F. Hibbard, for Commission staff.

O P I N I O N

By this application Aztec Bus Lines, Inc., a California corporation, seeks authority to establish and operate a passenger stage service for the transportation of employees and other personnel between the U. S. Naval Air Station situated on North Island, in the Bay of San Diego, and the City of Imperial Beach.

A public hearing was held in the City of Coronado on March 28, 1957, before Examiner Mark V. Chiesa. Oral and documentary evidence having been adduced the matter was submitted for decision.

At the hearing San Diego Transit System withdrew its protest and entered its appearance as an interested party. San Diego Transit System now operates bus service between the City of San Diego, Coronado and the Amphibious Training Base which is located on the Coronado Strand on applicant's proposed route. Applicant is not herein proposing to serve any point in the City of Coronado nor said training base.

Applicant's president testified that present operations are restricted to charter bus service not on a contract basis; that applicant has eight pieces of equipment consisting of seven buses and

one passenger car; that it proposes to use two Aerocoaches, each having a capacity of 37 passengers; that only employees and other personnel at the Naval Air Station will be transported to and from Imperial Beach; that buses will leave Imperial Beach at 6:15 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. and arrive at North Island at 6:40 a.m. and 6:55 a.m. respectively; that the return schedules will be 3:20 p.m. and 3:45 p.m., arriving at Imperial Beach at 3:45 p.m. and 4:10 p.m. respectively; that the proposed fares are 25 cents one-way and 45 cents round-trip; that the round-trip mileage is approximately 20 miles; that bus drivers will be persons employed at the said air station and who live in Imperial Beach or vicinity.

The officers and directors of applicant are Leslie Phillips, president and director, Evelyn N. Phillips, secretary-treasurer and director, and John M. Jeffrey, vice president and director. As of December 31, 1956, applicant's financial condition consisted of total tangible assets of \$29,051.94, and total liabilities of \$12,041.36, or a net worth of \$17,009.58, represented by 1,000 outstanding shares of no par stock owned by the Phillipses and issued at a stated value of \$20 per share.

The evidence shows that there are several hundred persons residing in Imperial Beach and vicinity who are employed at the U. S. Naval Air Station on North Island and that no public transportation is now available. Daily passenger revenue and expense was estimated by applicant's president at approximately \$35.00 and \$13.00, respectively.

The City Manager of Imperial Beach, the Transportation Chairman of the North Island Association (composed of persons employed on North Island), the Mayor and a Councilman of the City of Coronado, appeared in support of the application. The Commanding Officer of the U. S. Naval Air Station, the Commandant of the

Eleventh Naval District and South Bay District Chamber of Commerce also favor the proposed service.

San Diego Transit System requested that a restriction be imposed to protect its present operating authority.

The Commission having considered the matter is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service as hereinafter set forth. 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 a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it hereby is, granted to Aztec Bus Lines, Inc., a California corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of a service as a passenger stage corporation, as that term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of persons between the points and along the routes as set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, subject to the conditions and restrictions, if any, as set forth in said Appendix A.

(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 ten days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of APRIL, 1957.

[Signature]  
 President  
[Signature]  
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 Commissioners

Rex Hardy  
 Commissioner C. Lyn Fox, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Aztec Bus Lines, Inc., by certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport persons between the City of Imperial Beach, County of San Diego, and the U. S. Naval Air Station, situated on North Island, along the routes as hereinbelow set forth and subject to the following condition and restriction:

Applicant shall not pick up and discharge any passenger, in either direction, between a point one-quarter of a mile south of the southernmost entrance to the Amphibious Training Base situated on the Coronado Strand, and the intersection of Fourth Street and F Street, both points inclusive.

Route:

Beginning at the intersection of Palm Avenue and Silver Strand Boulevard in the City of Imperial Beach, thence along Silver Strand Boulevard, Orange Avenue, Fourth Street to the entrance of the U. S. Naval Air Station (North Island).

Also, beginning at the intersection of Silver Strand Boulevard and Rainbow Drive, thence along Rainbow Drive, Palm Avenue to its intersection or junction with Silver Strand Boulevard.

Applicant is authorized to turn its motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

End of Appendix A

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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