

Decision No. 55206

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| In the Matter of the Application of   | ) |                       |
| Pacific Electric Railway Company, a   | ) |                       |
| corporation, for an order authorizing | ) |                       |
| it to relinquish its electric public  | ) |                       |
| utility status, to withdraw, abandon  | ) | Application No. 39004 |
| and discontinue service to the public | ) |                       |
| as an electric public utility and to  | ) |                       |
| withdraw and cancel certain electric  | ) |                       |
| utility tariff sheets.                | ) |                       |

OPINION AND ORDER

By the above-entitled application, filed April 19, 1957, Pacific Electric Railway Company seeks an order of this Commission authorizing it to relinquish its electric public utility status, to withdraw, abandon and discontinue electric service to the public as an electric public utility, and to withdraw and cancel all its effective electric utility tariff sheets.

Applicant avers that from June, 1912, to October, 1950, it undertook to furnish and did furnish service, in accordance with its filed tariff schedules, to a limited number of customers located near or adjacent to its railway lines. Applicant also states that no electric service is now being rendered nor has been rendered since the discontinuance of a standby electric service to the City of Pasadena in October, 1950. Applicant states that no requests for service have been received since that date and that it does not now hold itself out to serve the public as an electrical corporation and in fact is not an electrical corporation within the meaning of the Public Utilities Code.

Applicant desires to relinquish whatever electric public utility status it has heretofore attained, and to withdraw, abandon

and discontinue electric service to the public as an electrical corporation and cancel its presently effective tariff sheets.

The Commission having considered the request of the applicant and it appearing that no further need for applicant's services exists, that a public hearing is not necessary, and that the granting of the application would not be adverse to the public interest, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. That Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, is authorized to abandon and discontinue its operations as a public utility electrical corporation.
2. That Pacific Electric Railway Company is authorized to cancel all of its filed tariffs as an electrical corporation, and upon filing of an appropriate notice of cancellation shall stand relieved of all public utility obligations as an electrical corporation.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2nd day of July, 1957.

Paul E. Marshall  
President

Paul J. Brennan

William J. Deane

F. Hart

E. L. Fox  
Commissioners