

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 55279

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
KEY SYSTEM TRANSIT LINES, a corpora- )  
tion, for authority to reroute a )  
portion of its Nos. 7 and "H" passen- )  
ger stage lines in the Counties of )  
Alameda and Contra Costa, State of )  
California. )

Application No. 39090

O P I N I O N

By this application Key System Transit Lines seeks author-  
ity to extend a portion of its No. 7 and "H" passenger stage lines  
in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. The applicant is at present  
operating its No. 7 Arlington Avenue line over the following route:

Continuing along The Alameda, Monterey Avenue,  
Marin Avenue, Arlington Avenue to Rincon Avenue.

Its "H" Sacramento Street-San Francisco line operates over the follow-  
ing route:

Beginning at Monterey and Colusa Avenues, thence  
continuing along Monterey Avenue, Hopkins Street,  
Sacramento Street, and continuing.

It now proposes by this application to extend the above  
operations by operating these routes over the following described  
streets:

No. 7 - Arlington Avenue Line

Continuing along The Alameda, Monterey Avenue,  
Marin Avenue, Arlington Avenue to Barrett Avenue,  
thence along Barrett Avenue to Tulare Avenue.

"H" Sacramento Street-San Francisco Line

From Monterey Avenue and The Alameda, thence  
continuing along Monterey Avenue, Hopkins Street,  
Sacramento Street, and continuing.

As justification for the authority sought, applicant states the change in routing is requested as to the No. 7 line because of the increased demand from the public for service along Upper Arlington Avenue beyond Rincon Avenue, the present terminus.<sup>1</sup>

Applicant states at present its patrons living above Rincon Avenue are not being afforded the opportunity of utilizing service beyond Rincon and Arlington Avenues because the applicant lacks operating authority within the area. It is proposed to extend service along Arlington Avenue to Barrett Avenue, then along Barrett Avenue to Tulare Avenue, at which point connections may be made with applicant's No. 68 line.

As to its "H" line, transbay passengers embarking or disembarking at the terminus at Monterey and Colusa Avenues who transfer to or from the No. 7 line, and other services along The Alameda, must walk some two blocks to and from The Alameda. Applicant states many such passengers have their origin and destination along the No. 7 Arlington Avenue line. Applicant seeks to eliminate the inconvenience of this walking distance by extending this line to The Alameda. Applicant then proposes to operate this line along the present and proposed "7" line beyond The Alameda and Marin Avenue.

It is alleged that with the above changes in applicant's No. 7 and "H" lines, applicant will be able to provide service between Rincon and Arlington Avenues and Barrett and Tulare Avenues by the No. 7 line extension, as well as being permitted to operate some through service via the "H" line extending along the present and proposed portion of the No. 7 line from Monterey and Colusa Avenues to Tulare and Barrett Avenues. With the operation of the above service, many of the present passengers of the applicant will be relieved of the necessity of transferring between the No. 7 line and transbay train or motor coach service.

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<sup>1</sup> See Exhibit C.

No change in present rates or fares is involved except that second zone north, as indicated in applicant's current tariff on file with the Commission, will apply north of Upper Rincon Avenue and Arlington Avenue, and that motor coaches to and from the "H" line will carry local passengers in the area between Monterey Avenue and The Alameda on the one hand and Barrett Avenue and Tulare Avenue on the other.

The proposed extension of the aforementioned lines appears to be in the public interest. The councils of the cities of El Cerrito and Berkeley, by resolution, approved such proposals. It does not appear that a public hearing on this matter is necessary. After full consideration of applicant's request, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and adoption of the routes as proposed. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

An application therefor having been filed, the Commission being fully informed therein, and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Key System authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as that term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers on its No. 7 Arlington Avenue passenger stage line over the following route:

Continuing along The Alameda, Monterey Avenue, Marin Avenue, Arlington Avenue to Barrett Avenue, thence along Barrett Avenue to Tulare Avenue.

(2) That authority is hereby granted to Key System to transport passengers on its "H" Sacramento Street-San Francisco line over the following route:

From Monterey Avenue and The Alameda, thence continuing along Monterey Avenue, Hopkins Street, Sacramento Street, and continuing.

(3) That authority is hereby granted to Key System to operate its "H" line over that portion of its No. 7 line from Monterey Avenue and The Alameda to Tulare and Barrett Avenues in accordance with the schedule set forth in Exhibit "B" of Key System's application.

(4) That the certificates granted in paragraphs (1) and (2) of the order herein are granted as an extension and enlargement of and consolidation with the operative rights heretofore granted to the applicant.

(5) That, in providing service pursuant to the certificates herein granted, applicant shall comply with the following service regulations:

- a. Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificates granted herein within a period of not to exceed 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 the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate, and concurrently make effective, tariffs and time-tables satisfactory to the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1957.

David L. Berline (President)  
William H. ...  
R. H. ...  
E. L. Fox  
Commissioners