

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 56716

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of JACK A. ROESCH, doing business as WESTERN TRAIL STAGES, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate a passenger stage.	}	Application No. 39810
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Alden Reid, attorney for applicant.
Musick, Peeler & Garrett by Jesse R. O'Malley, for
 Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority,
 and Burt Williamson for Brotherhood of
 Railroad Trainmen, protestants.

O P I N I O N

A public hearing was held in the above-entitled proceeding in San Bernardino before Examiner Mark V. Chiesa. Oral and documentary evidence having been adduced, the matter was submitted for decision.

The record shows that applicant is proposing a passenger stage service between the City of San Bernardino and the Los Angeles Coliseum, with service at the intermediate point of Ontario, at times when the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team is playing its home games. Applicant proposes to run deluxe-type buses and charge a round-trip fare of \$3.00 plus Federal transportation tax. Arrangements to provide admission tickets at cost would also be part of a package deal although passengers would not be required to buy game tickets from applicant. Applicant has the equipment necessary to provide the service. He is now operating a certificated passenger stage service between San Bernardino and the mountain resort area of Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear and also operates charter buses in and from the vicinity of San Bernardino.

Applicant proposes to pick up and discharge passengers only at his terminal at 24644 Ninth Street in said city, situated approximately two miles east of the downtown section, and at an appropriate place in the City of Ontario. No one-way tickets would be sold and no local service would be performed.

Applicant did not call public witnesses to testify that there is a need for the proposed service. However, he testified that in his opinion there is sufficient interest in the San Bernardino and Ontario areas to justify the establishment of said service and to return a profit for the operation.

A witness testifying for protestant Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority stated that the Authority, which recently acquired the operations of the Metropolitan Coach Lines and Los Angeles Transit Lines pursuant to the authority given by Chapter 547, Statutes of 1957, known as the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority Act of 1957, is now operating a regular local and express passenger service along several routes between San Bernardino and Los Angeles as well as charter buses and a "special events" service direct to various places including the Coliseum; that the Authority proposes to operate a direct bus service between San Bernardino and the Coliseum for the "Dodger" games and that it is able to provide such service as will be needed; that a special service fare to the Coliseum has not yet been established but that it would probably be approximately the present round-trip fare of \$3.56.

The Commission having considered the entire record is unable to find that applicant has shown that public convenience and necessity require the establishment of an additional transportation service as herein proposed. The application will be denied.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held, the Commission being unable to find that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service as proposed,

IT IS ORDERED that Application No. 39810 of Jack A. Roesch, doing business as Western Trail Stages, be, and it hereby is, denied.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California this 20th day of May, 1958.

[Signature] President
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Theodore Jenner

 Commissioners

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