

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 57339

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ANTELOPE VALLEY BUS, INC., for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger and express service between Lancaster, California, and Edwards, California, and to extend and change existing routes in Lancaster, California.

Application No. 40248

O P I N I O N

By this application, as amended, applicant requests authority (1) to reroute and extend its present local bus lines in the Lancaster area, (2) establish a school bus service within a defined area in Lancaster, and (3) establish a new bus route between Lancaster and Edwards Air Force Base.

A Commission transportation engineer has surveyed and considered applicant's proposals and recommends favorable consideration. The application is not opposed.

The proposed regular bus service in the Lancaster area will be improved by the rerouting of two cross-town lines and forming four lines which will make the service available to a greater number of persons. No present patrons will be inconvenienced as the routes proposed have inadvertently been in operation for some time. The proposed school bus service will be operated along routes which will be most convenient in the transportation of pupils to various schools situated within a defined area. The

routes will be suggested by the school authorities. Present cash fares and commutation school fares will apply.

At present there is no public transportation between Lancaster and Edwards Air Force Base, Los Angeles-Trona Stages having recently been authorized to discontinue operations in this area. It appears that many civilians living in the Lancaster area are employed at the Base and that the proposed transportation is needed and convenient for some of them, as well as for military personnel. Applicant alleges that there is sufficient demand for such service to justify its establishment. Initially, one round trip will be operated daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, leaving Lancaster at 6:20 a.m. and leaving the Base at 4:05 p.m. The proposed fare is 70 cents one way, \$1.25 round trip, or a weekly (5-day) ticket at \$5.00. The fare between Rosamond, an intermediate point, and the Base will be 40 cents one way or a weekly (5-day) ticket at \$3.50. The distance between Lancaster and Edwards Air Force Base is approximately 28 miles and between Rosamond and the Base approximately 17 miles.

Applicant also proposes to transport baggage and express, including mail, incidental to the transportation of persons.

Western Greyhound Lines now operates along U. S. Highway 6 between Lancaster and Rosamond. Applicant has consented to a restriction between said points.

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. A public hearing is not deemed necessary.

For the purpose of clarification applicant will be granted a new certificate in lieu of its present operating authority which will be simultaneously revoked.

O R D E R

Application having been made, 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 Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., a corporation, 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 persons and their baggage or express 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, Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., shall comply 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.

(3) That the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in paragraph (1) of this order is in lieu of and supersedes all existing certificates of public convenience and necessity or other passenger stage operating authority heretofore granted to or acquired by Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., which certificates and rights are hereby revoked and cancelled.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California,  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1958.

E. L. Fox  
President  
W. E. [unclear]  
Carl [unclear]  
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Richard [unclear]  
Commissioners

Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., by certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport persons between points and places in Lancaster and vicinity, in the County of Los Angeles, and between Lancaster and Edwards Air Force Base and intermediate points, over and along the routes as hereinbelow described, subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

1. Passengers, express, or mail, the origin and destination of which are both between Lancaster and Rosamond, both points inclusive, shall not be transported.
2. The transportation of express and mail shall be limited to the Lancaster - Edwards Route.
3. Except for service provided over the local routes, service operated within the school service area shall be limited to the transportation of school children.
4. The transportation of school children is hereby limited to an area bounded on the north by Avenue G, on the east by 20th Street East, on the south by Avenue M, and on the west by 20th Street West.

For operating convenience only, motor vehicles may be turned 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.

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Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify said passenger stage operation at any time, applicant shall conduct said operation over and along the following route or routes:

Local Routes

Route 1

Beginning at Lancaster Boulevard and Beech Avenue, thence via Lancaster Boulevard, Elm Avenue, Avenue J-4, Fern Avenue, Avenue J-8, 10th Street West, Avenue J-12, 12th Street West, Avenue J-14, 10th Street West to Avenue K.

Return via Avenue K, 10th Street West, Avenue J-8, thence via reverse of the going route.

Route 2

Beginning at Lancaster Boulevard and Beech Avenue, thence via Lancaster Boulevard, Division Street, Lancaster Boulevard, Foxton Avenue, Nugent Street, Stanridge Avenue, Avenue J, Third Street East, Glenraven Road, Stanridge Avenue, Avenue J-7, Carolside Avenue, Avenue J-2, Division Street, Avenue J to Stanridge Avenue.

Return via Stanridge Avenue and Nugent Street, thence via reverse of the going route.

Route 3

Beginning at Lancaster Boulevard and Beech Avenue, thence via Beech Avenue, Avenue H-12, Cedar Avenue, Avenue H-8, 10th Street West, Avenue H-12, 13th Street West, Boyden Avenue, 15th Street West, Avenue H-9, Saigon Avenue, Avenue H-10 to Boyden Avenue.

Return via Boyden Avenue and thence reverse of the going route.

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Local Routes (Continued)

Route 4

Beginning at Lancaster Boulevard and Beech Avenue, thence via Lancaster Boulevard, 11th Street West, Jackman Street, Kingtree Avenue, Ivyton Avenue, 15th Street West, Jenner Street, 17th Street West, Lancaster Boulevard, 20th Street West, Newgrove Street, 21st Street West to Lancaster Boulevard.

Return via Lancaster Boulevard and 17th Street West, thence via reverse of the going route.

Lancaster - Edwards Route

Beginning at the intersection of Lancaster Boulevard and Beech Street, thence along Beech Street, Avenue J-7, Cedar Avenue, Avenue J-6, Date Street, Avenue J-4, Heaton Avenue, Avenue J-12, 10th Street West, Avenue J, 12th Street West, Kettering Avenue, 15th Street West, Boyden Avenue, Kingtree Avenue, Avenue H-12, Beech Street, Sierra Highway and Rosamond Boulevard to Edwards Air Force Base, and returning the reverse thereof.

End of Appendix A

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