ORIGINAL 57520 Decision No. BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA In the Matter of the Application of The Greyhound Corporation (Western Greyhound Lines Division) for an order authorizing increases in Application No. 40057 intrastate passenger fares, other than local and commutation fares. In the Matter of the Application of TRANSCONTINENTAL BUS SYSTEM, INC., a Delaware Corporation; CONTINENTAL PACIFIC LINES, a California corpora-tion; GIBSON LINES, a California corporation; and AMERICAN BUSLINES, INC., a Delaware corporation, Debtor in corporate reorganization under Chapter X, by its Trustee, Richard W. Smith, and its Additional Trustee, W. F. Aikman, for authority Application No. 40336 to increase one-way and round-trip intrastate passenger fares pursuant to Sections 454 and 491 Public Utilities Code. ORDER DENYING PETITION OF THE GREYHOUND CORPORATION FOR FINAL ORDER ORDER CONSOLIDATING APPLICATIONS FOR HEARING AND DECISION By Decision No. 57001, dated July 15, 1958, the Commission issued its interim opinion and order in Application No. 40057 authorizing Greyhound to establish the fare structure proposed in its application and granted Transcontinental Bus System and other interested parties a continuance for the purpose of preparing evidence on the matter of a fare structure. Said interested parties have filed their application for a revision in fares and have requested that their application be consolidated with the proceedings in Greyhound's application because the evidence they propose to offer in the latter proceeding will be material to a determination of the issues in their application for fare increases. - 1 -

ds

Greyhound has petitioned for a final order making the interim rates authorized by Decision No. 57001 the permanent rates applicable to Greyhound's intrastate service in California. In support of its petition Greyhound states that interested parties have failed for several months to follow up on their request that they be permitted to present additional evidence and that it is not fair to Greyhound to keep its rate structure in a state of uncertainty for am indefinite period.

We have considered the allegations, contentions and arguments of the parties. Transcontinental, et al., have informed the Commission that they are ready to proceed. Greyhound has been authorized to place its proposed fore structure in effect while further proceedings are being had. It should be but a short time until proceedings in this matter are completed. Greyhound is not at any serious disadvantage in that the fare structure it proposes is in effect and will be in effect pending the completion of said proceedings.

We are persuaded that the consolidation of the proceedings as suggested by Transcontinental, et al., will expedite matters; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the petition of The Greyhound Corporation for Final Order in Application No. 40057 is denied and that further proceedings in Application No. 40057 be consolidated with proceedings in Application No. 40336.

Dated at <u>Jonesian</u>, California, this <u>284</u>

ay of <u>Jetales</u>, 1958.

President

- 2 -