

ORIGINALDecision No. 58573

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
The Greyhound Corporation (Western
Greyhound Lines Division), formerly
Pacific Greyhound Lines, for an order
authorizing increases in certain fares
applicable to its Peninsula service.

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Application No. 36532
First Supplemental

O P I N I O N

On May 22, 1959, applicant The Greyhound Corporation filed its petition requesting authority to issue a rule which would limit the use of present point-to-point tickets to a period of five days following the establishment of zone fare tickets in the Peninsula service pursuant to Decision No. 58125, issued March 17, 1959. Applicant also has requested that in the event it is permitted so to limit the use of such point-to-point tickets, it also be permitted to issue a rule providing for redemption of unused one-way and round-trip tickets at the fare paid, the redemption of the return portion of round-trip tickets at one-half of the total fare paid, and the redemption of commutation tickets upon a pro rata basis depending upon the number of tickets used in each commute book as compared to the total number of tickets in the book. Applicant has requested authority to put these rules into effect on five days' notice to the Commission and the public, such rules to be effective as of the effective date of the new zone fares.

In support of its petition applicant has alleged: (1) that applicant's present one-way and round-trip fares as well as its commutation fares are constructed on a point-to-point basis with some 48 fare points and about 96 zone limits which the drivers and

the public must recognize and observe in the area between San Francisco and San Jose, whereas when the new zone fares are placed into effect there will be only 13 zones between San Francisco and San Jose; (2) that when applicant's new zone fares become effective there will be in the hands of the public an accumulation of point-to-point tickets which could be used for as long as 2 months in the case of one-way tickets, 6 months in the case of round-trip tickets and 60 days in the case of commutation tickets; and (3) that the use of the present point-to-point tickets at the same time when passengers are using the new zone fare tickets will create confusion in the minds of the passengers and the drivers, will result in overriding, will generally tend to promote controversy, and will inevitably slow up the service.

The Commission having considered the petition of applicant and being of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, hereby finds that the public interest requires that the petition should be granted as hereinafter provided.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Applicant The Greyhound Corporation (Western Greyhound Lines Division) is authorized to publish rules for the limitation of the use and the redemption of the present point-to-point tickets issued in its Peninsula service, as requested in its petition hereinabove described.

2. Applicant is directed to post and maintain in its vehicles and depots affected a notice of these rules in conjunction with the notice of the new zone fares authorized in Decision No. 58125. Such notices shall be posted not less than ten days prior to the effective

date of such rules and such fares and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days.

3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of June, 1959.

C. J. Fox
President
W. H. ...
Theodore ...
Commissioners