

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 72390

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
AMERICAN BUSLINES, INC., a corpora-)
tion, for authority to abandon)
passenger stage service between)
Pittsburg and Sacramento, pursuant)
to Sections 1031-1036 of the Public)
Utilities Code.)

Application No. 49172
(Filed February 24, 1967)

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a passenger stage corporation with principal California intrastate operations between Los Angeles and San Diego and between Sacramento and the California-Nevada State Line on Interstate Highway 80. It was authorized to conduct passenger stage operations between Pittsburg and Sacramento via State Highway 24 (redesignated State Highway 160); however, that authority was suspended by Decision No. 69016, dated May 4, 1965, in Application No. 47013.

Applicant seeks authority to permanently abandon service between Sacramento and Pittsburg. This authority was originally sought in Application No. 47013; however, in its Decision No. 69016, the Commission concluded that the operative right should be suspended until July 1, 1967 so that applicant could be ordered to reinstate the service in the event that passenger stage service between those points offered and provided by Robert A. Burrowes, doing business as Lincoln Bus Line, should for any reason be discontinued. Said Decision No. 69016 concerned Application No. 47013

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of American Busline, Inc. to abandon the route, and Application No. 47210 of Burrowes for a certificate authorizing service between Stockton and Sacramento via Rio Vista, which service would duplicate a large portion of the service American sought to abandon. In that proceeding American stated that it would assist Burrowes in establishing and maintaining the operation. Suspension of American's operative right, rather than the abandonment sought therein, was deemed to be necessary by the Commission in order to assure continuation of public transportation service in the event that the operation by Burrowes became unsuccessful.

Applicant states that since July 1, 1965, Burrowes has operated and is continuing to operate the passenger stage service between Stockton and Sacramento, via Rio Vista, in accordance with the certificate granted in Decision No. 69016; that American has assisted Burrowes and will continue to render such assistance at least to and including July 1, 1967 by providing depot services at Stockton and at Sacramento; and that if American is required to provide passenger service over its route on July 1, 1967 by reason of the expiration of the suspension of its operative right, it would be in direct competition with Burrowes which could cause a severe diversion of traffic and adversely affect his ability to continue operations.

Operations by applicant between Sacramento and Pittsburg by reason of the expiration on July 1, 1967 of the suspension would be contrary to, and would adversely affect, the public interest. We find that public convenience and necessity no longer require the operation by applicant of passenger stage service between Sacramento and Pittsburg via State Highway 24 and that a public

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hearing is not necessary. We conclude that it should be authorized to abandon said operation effective June 30, 1967.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On June 30, 1967 and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, American Buslines, Inc., may abandon passenger stage service on and along State Highway 24 (redesignated State Highway 160) between Pittsburg and Sacramento.

2. The authority granted to American Buslines, Inc., by the Commission in the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued in Decision No. 65274, and amended by Decision No. 69016, to conduct passenger stage operations on and along State Highway 24 between Sacramento and Pittsburg shall be revoked effective June 30, 1967.

3. Appendix A of Decision No. 65274, as amended, is further amended by incorporating therein, to become effective June 30, 1967, Second Revised Page 2, attached hereto, in revision of First Revised Page 2.

4. The tariff and timetable filings required as a result of the order herein shall be made effective June 30, 1967, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of MAY, 1967.

[Signature]
President
[Signature]
[Signature]
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Commissioners

Commissioner A. W. Gatov, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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Appendix A
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AMERICAN BUSLINES, INC.

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Cancels
First Revised Page 2

ROUTE GROUP 1

1.01 Between Sacramento and California-Nevada State Line via
Floriston:

From Sacramento over city streets to
U. S. Highway 40 (Interstate Highway 80),
thence over U. S. Highway 40 (Interstate
Highway 80) to the California-Nevada State
Line.

*1.02 Deleted.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.
Effective June 30, 1967.
*Changed by Decision No. 72390, Application No. 49172.