

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 73316

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ANTELOPE VALLEY BUS, INC. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate passenger stage service and express service between Edwards Air Force Base and Los Angeles International Airport and intermediate points.

Application No. 49659
(Filed September 1, 1967)
(Amended October 3, 1967)

O P I N I O N

Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., is presently a passenger stage corporation authorized to transport passengers and their baggage between Lancaster, Rosamond and Edwards Air Force Base in Los Angeles and Kern Counties and the surrounding areas as set forth in Decision No. 63264, dated February 13, 1962, and amendments thereto. Applicant also renders on-call service between Edwards Air Force Base, Rosamond, Lancaster and Palmdale on a round-trip basis to Dodger Stadium, Los Angeles Coliseum, Hollywood Bowl and other points in Los Angeles County, as well as to Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm in Orange County. In addition, applicant operates school service in and around the Palmdale and Lancaster areas as authorized in Decision No. 71254 in Application No. 48715.

Applicant requests authority to establish additional passenger stage service for the purpose of carrying passengers

and their baggage and express between Edwards Air Force Base, Kern County, California, on the one hand, and Los Angeles International Airport in the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, on the other hand, and to intermediate points, and to establish routes and charges for said service as hereinafter set forth.

Applicant proposes to institute said service with two daily schedules starting at 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Edwards Air Force Base and returning at 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. and also with on-call service available for a minimum of five persons from Palmdale Airport, Plant 42.

The basic fare to be charged between Edwards Air Force Base and Los Angeles International Airport is to be \$6.00 and the fare for the intermediate points will be in lesser increments corresponding to present fares with half fare provisions for children. The basic express rate will range from 50 cents to \$2.00 and the weight of baggage and express will be limited to 100 pounds per shipment and be transported only in passenger carrying vehicles.

The applicant alleges service of the application in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules upon interested parties, competitors and public agencies in the area.

Applicant further alleges that no other passenger stage operates between the points herein proposed by applicant and that the areas around the Cities of Lancaster and Palmdale are growing, and a need has arisen among the local residents and the tourists in the area for transportation of persons, their baggage, and

express between the Palmdale-Lancaster area and Los Angeles International Airport. Applicant alleges that like service has also been requested by the officials of Edwards Air Force Base for service between Edwards Air Force Base and Los Angeles International Airport, and that the officials have advised applicant of a definite need for the scheduled passenger service and express service.

Applicant also alleges that the Palmdale Airport (A.F. Plant 42) will be opened in the immediate future as an alternate field for commercial traffic, and that a further need for transportation between said Palmdale Airport, on the one hand, and Palmdale, Lancaster, Los Angeles International Airport and Edwards Air Force Base, on the other hand, will arise as soon as the Palmdale air field is open to commercial traffic.

Applicant has attached a financial statement which describes total assets of \$122,304.67 and income from January 1, 1967, to June 30, 1967, of \$53,279.04. It appears from the application and exhibits that applicant has the financial ability to institute and maintain the proposed service. The route is not competitive with other carriers and the application is not opposed. The Commission staff has reported favorably on the application.

After consideration, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the establishment and operation of the proposed passenger stage service as hereinafter set forth.

A public hearing is not necessary. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Antelope Valley Bus, Inc., a corporation, authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix A, Fourth Revised Page 1, Second Revised Page 1A, and First Revised Page 6, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. Appendix A of Decision No. 63264, as heretofore amended, is further amended by incorporating therein Fourth Revised Page 1 attached hereto in revision of Third Revised Page 1; Second Revised Page 1A in revision of First Revised Page 1A; and First Revised Page 6 in revision of Original Page 6.

In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. Applicant is placed on notice that, if it accepts the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, it will be required, among other things, to comply with and observe the safety rules of the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-A and insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 101-B.

- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file tariffs and timetables, in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the service herein authorized.
- (d) The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79 and 98-A.
- (e) Applicant shall maintain its accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of its operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of NOVEMBER, 1967.

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President

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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, North Los Angeles and Kern Counties and persons, baggage, express and mail between Lancaster, Palmdale, Edwards Air Force Base and William J. Fox Airfield on the one hand and points in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, on the other hand, over and along the routes as described hereinafter subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

1. Baggage and express shall be transported in passenger-carrying vehicles only, and limited to weight of not more than 100 pounds per shipment.
- *2. The transportation of express and mail shall be limited to the Lancaster-Edwards Routes, Lancaster-Fox Airfield Route, and the Edwards-Lancaster-Palmdale-LAX Route.
3. Service on Routes 5-A and 5-B shall be limited to passengers destined to or originating at Edwards Air Force Base.
4. Except for service over authorized routes, service within the school service areas defined below shall be limited to the transportation of school children.
5. School service areas:
 - (1) Lancaster, bounded on the north by Avenue C, on the east by 30th Street East, on the south by Avenue K, and on the west by 60th Street West.
 - (2) Palmdale, bounded on the north by Avenue P, on the east by 40th Street East, on the south by Avenue U, and on the west by 30th Street West.
 - (3) Quartz Hill, bounded on the north by Avenue K, on the east by Sierra Highway (State Highway No. 14), on the south by Avenue P, and on the west by 80th Street West.
- *6. On-call service shall be operated as required for one or more persons between Lancaster and Fox Airfield and for two or more persons between Edwards and Fox Airfield, and for five or more persons between Palmdale Airport, Plant 42 and Palmdale, Lancaster and Los Angeles International Airport.

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*Changed by Decision No. 73316, Application No. 49659.

7. On-call service shall be operated as required for 28 or more persons on Routes Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 and for 24 or more persons on Routes Nos. 12 and 13.
8. Routes Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 service shall be limited to the transportation of round-trip passengers originating in North Los Angeles and Kern Counties.
9. Where route descriptions are given in one direction they apply to operations in either direction unless otherwise directed.
10. 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, in accordance with local traffic regulations.
- *11. Route No. 14 - No persons or express shall be transported between Palmdale and Lancaster, except between the Palmdale Airport and Lancaster.

Lancaster Service Area

That area in and about Lancaster which is bounded on the north by Avenue H, on the east by 30th Street East, on the south by Avenue L, and on the west by 25th Street West.

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ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (Continued)

Route No. 11. Rosamond

Beginning at Rosamond, thence via U.S. Highway No. 6 to Los Angeles, thence via the most direct and appropriate route to Dodger Stadium or Los Angeles Coliseum or Hollywood Bowl or Pacific Ocean Park or Disneyland or Knotts Berry Farm or Pasadena Rose Parade or Hollywood Park or Santa Anita Race Track.

Route No. 12. Lancaster

Beginning at Lancaster, thence via U.S. Highway No. 6 to Los Angeles, thence via the most direct and appropriate route to Dodger Stadium or Los Angeles Coliseum or Hollywood Bowl or Pacific Ocean Park or Disneyland or Knotts Berry Farm or Pasadena Rose Parade or Hollywood Park or Santa Anita Race Track.

Route No. 13. Palmdale

Beginning at Palmdale, thence via U.S. Highway No. 6 to Los Angeles, thence via the most direct and appropriate route to Dodger Stadium or Los Angeles Coliseum or Hollywood Bowl or Pacific Ocean Park or Disneyland or Knotts Berry Farm or Pasadena Rose Parade or Hollywood Park or Santa Anita Race Track.

*Route No. 14. Edwards-Lancaster-Palmdale-LAX

Beginning at Edwards Air Force Base, thence via Rosamond Boulevard, Highway 14, Interstate 5, Interstate 405, Sepulveda Boulevard to the Los Angeles International Airport.

*Alternates:

Continue on Interstate 405 to Century Boulevard to the Los Angeles International Airport.

From the intersection of Highway 14 and Avenue M to Palmdale Airport (U.S. Air Force Plant 42) and return.

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