

Decision No. 84076

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
The Gray Line Tours Company for a )  
Certificate of Public Convenience )  
and Necessity to extend operations )  
as a passenger-stage corporation. }

Application No. 54411  
(Filed October 26, 1973;  
amended November 5, 1973  
and March 25, 1974)

O P I N I O N

This is an application by The Gray Line Tours Company (Gray Line) which seeks additional passenger stage corporation operating rights.

Gray Line presently conducts sight-seeing operations as a passenger stage corporation in southern California. It holds extensive operating rights. Gray Line seeks herein (1) authority to establish three additional nonexclusive pickup territories and (2) authority to institute a combined tour involving points of interest in its Anaheim-Buena Park territory.

The material issue presented herein is whether public convenience and necessity require granting the requested additional operating authority.

The verified application avers that since the establishment of Gray Line's currently authorized pickup territories additional prospective patronage has developed because of the construction of new hotels and motels outside of its authorized service area; that Gray Line has received numerous requests to provide service from those newly constructed hotels and motels; and that it would benefit the public and Gray Line if such service were authorized. The application also indicates that Gray Line's operating experience shows that the attraction of Knott's Berry Farm is not sufficiently great enough to justify a tour solely to that point. The application states that Gray Line has received requests for combined tours which include Knott's Berry Farm and other points of interest in the immediate vicinity. The application also seeks such authority.

Gray Line attached to the application a balance sheet as of June 30, 1973, a revenue and expense statement for the first six months of 1973 and a list of its operating equipment which would be used in the proposed service. These exhibits indicate that Gray Line has the ability, including financial ability, to operate the proposed service.

Copies of the application were served on the Southern California Rapid Transit District and the cities of Los Angeles, Inglewood, Hawthorne, El Segundo, Anaheim, and Buena Park. The Commission has received no protests to the application. The Commission makes the following findings and conclusion.

Findings of Fact

1. A public hearing is not necessary in this matter.
2. Gray Line has received requests to provide sight-seeing service to newly constructed hotels and motels in and about the cities of Inglewood, Hawthorne, and El Segundo.
3. Gray Line's operating experience indicates that the attraction of Knott's Berry Farm is not at the present time sufficiently great enough to justify a tour solely to that point.
4. Public convenience and necessity require that Gray Line be granted additional operating authority as hereinafter set forth.
5. Gray Line has the ability, including financial ability, to conduct operations under the authority hereafter granted.
6. With reasonable certainty the project involved in this proceeding will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted as hereinafter set forth.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to The Gray Line Tours Company, 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 revision of Appendix A of Decision No. 81036 as follows: Appendix A of Decision No. 81036 is amended by incorporating Original Page 11-A and First Revised Pages 3, 6, 8, 11, and 24 in revision of Original Pages 3, 6, 8, 11, and 24, respectively.

2. In providing service pursuant to the authority granted by this order, applicant shall comply with the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the authority.

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate granted. Applicant is placed on notice that if it accepts the certificate it will be required, among other things, to comply with the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-Series, and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 101-Series.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this order, applicant shall establish the authorized service 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 authorized service.
- (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-Series and 98-Series.

- (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 twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of FEBRUARY, 1975.

Vernon L. Sturgeon  
President

William J. ...

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Leonard Ross  
Commissioners

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## SECTION I, General Authorizations--Contd.

For operating convenience only and not as an enlargement of any authority granted herein, The Gray Line Tours Company may, if it deems that it has picked up a sufficient number of passengers in the pickup areas provided in Section IV of this certificate for one of the tours authorized in Section V herein, proceed directly to the tour without going to its terminal.

- 20 Baggage Limitations: Transportation of baggage shall be that which is incidental to the transportation of passengers as herein authorized.

SECTION II, Nonexclusive Pickup Territories  
Los Angeles Operations

- 100 The following Nonexclusive Pickup Territories, as described herein, shall be used for the tours specified in Section III of this certificate.

1. Los Angeles (includes Hollywood) Territory
2. Beverly Hills Territory
3. Glendale Territory
4. Long Beach Territory
5. Pasadena Territory
6. Santa Monica Territory
7. Sunset Strip area of Los Angeles County
8. Arcadia Territory
9. Burbank Territory
10. Culver City Territory
11. West Covina Territory
12. Anaheim-Buena Park Territory
13. Hermosa Beach Territory
14. Manhattan Beach Territory
15. Redondo Beach Territory
16. Marina Del Rey Section of Los Angeles County
17. Riverside Territory
18. Palm Springs Territory
19. Santa Barbara Territory
20. San Diego Territory
- # 21. Inglewood Territory
- # 22. Hawthorne Territory
- # 23. El Segundo Territory

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- 175 Manhattan Beach Territory: Manhattan Beach Territory is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Manhattan Beach.
- 180 Redondo Beach Territory: Redondo Beach Territory is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Redondo Beach.
- 185 Marina Del Rey Section of Los Angeles County: The Marina Del Rey Section of Los Angeles County is that territory delineated and bounded by the Los Angeles County limits.
- #186 Inglewood Territory: Inglewood Territory is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Inglewood.
- #187 Hawthorne Territory: Hawthorne Territory is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Hawthorne.
- #188 El Segundo Territory: El Segundo Territory is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of El Segundo.
- 190 Riverside Territory:(a) Riverside, which is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Riverside.
- 195 Palm Springs Territory:(a) Palm Springs, which is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Palm Springs.

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- 200 Santa Barbara Territory:(a) Santa Barbara, which is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of Santa Barbara and the following specific points in Montecito, California; Santa Barbara Biltmore Hotel, Miramar Hotel-Motel and San Ysidro Ranch.
- 205 San Diego Territory:(a) San Diego, which is described as the territory delineated and bounded by the city limits of the City of San Diego.

Note (a) The authority to pick up and discharge passengers in the Riverside, Palm Springs, Santa Barbara and San Diego Territories (Items Nos. 190, 195, 200 and 205) shall lapse and terminate five years from the effective date of this certificate as to any of said pickup territories from which The Gray Line Tours Company is not then operating regularly scheduled pickup service for one or more of the tours set forth in Section III hereof.

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SECTION III, Tours Authorized from  
Los Angeles Area--Contd.

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| 500  | 42 | <u>Los Angeles to Lion Country Safari, Orange County:</u> From Los Angeles to Lion Country Safari in Orange County and return to the point of origin. The Gray Line Tours Company shall have authority to stop at the following points en route; Japanese Village and Deer Park and the Queen Mary attraction in Long Beach. In the event The Gray Line Tours Company establishes a tour from the points herein authorized to Lion Country Safari and the Japanese Village and Deer Park and either attraction is closed on a particular day, it may substitute another point of interest which it is authorized to serve at the basic transportation rate authorized in Appendix B plus any additional admission charges, provided, however that The Gray Line Tours Company shall offer to cancel the ticket and refund the full price thereof to any ticket holder who was sold a ticket indicating that he would be given a tour of Lion Country Safari and the Japanese Village and Deer Park and who does not consent to a substituted alternative for either point. |
| 505  | 43 | <u>Los Angeles to Marineland:</u> From Los Angeles to Marineland and return to Los Angeles along the most convenient or appropriate route.   |
| #506 |    | <u>Los Angeles to Points of Interest in Anaheim-Buena Park:</u> From Los Angeles over the most appropriate and scenic routes, visiting any three of the following points of interest, and return: Knott's Berry Farm, Japanese Village and Deer Park, Wax Museum, Cars of Stars, Planes of Fame, and Alligator Farm.   |

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