

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1124

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 10, 1971

Application of D. C. Transit)
System, Inc., to Abandon) Application No. 681
Route G-1 and Part of G-9.)

By Order No. 950, issued May 29, 1969, D. C. Transit System, Inc. (Transit) was granted authority to operate certain experimental reverse flow routes between inner city areas of Washington, D. C. and Prince George's Plaza, Prince George's County, Maryland. The routes were operated at special low fares with a subsidy from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, with the assistance of a grant from the U. S. Department of Transportation.

As of December 31, 1970, the portion of the experimental project covering service to Prince George's Plaza and University of Maryland expired, with the subsidy being withdrawn. Beginning January 4, 1971, Transit began operating a revised Route G-1, per Route Authorization No. 19-70, from 10th and U Streets, N. W. to Prince George's Plaza and on to University of Maryland. Transit, by the same Route Authorization, began operating an extension of G-9 from University of Maryland to Prince George's Plaza.

By Application No. 681, Transit now seeks to discontinue the G-1 service and the extended portion of the G-9 service. These trips are presently averaging approximately three passengers per day and one passenger per day, respectively. It is not in the public interest to burden the ratepayer with the costs of this experimental service when it has failed to attain a reasonable ridership level after an adequate test period.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That authority to abandon Route G-1 between 10th and U Streets, N. W. and University of Maryland be, and it is hereby, granted, effective March 13, 1971.

2. That authority to abandon that portion of Route G-9 between Maryland University and Prince George's Plaza be, and it is hereby, granted effective March 13, 1971.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melvin E. Lewis".

MELVIN E. LEWIS
Executive Director