

TO INTERCOMPANY TRANSFER RIDERS

Statement by Chicago Transit Board

One of the conveniences available to riders has been the exchange of transfers between Chicago Transit Authority and Chicago Motor Coach Company, each company retaining what it collects from transfer riders.

Motor Coach Company Demands Unfair

Chicago Transit Authority carries more of such transfer riders, and carries them farther than the Chicago Motor Coach does. Yet the Motor Coach Company is attempting to force the Authority to pay to it a substantial part of the money collected by the Authority from transfer exchange riders.

In fairness to all of its riders, intercompany transfer riders as well as those who use CTA services exclusively, the Authority cannot submit voluntarily to the unfair and unjustified demands of the Chicago Motor Coach Company.

CTA Willing to Continue Transfer Arrangement

Chicago Transit Authority, however, is willing and ready to continue the existing transfer exchange arrangement.

In the interest of intercompany local transit riders, the Authority has made a proposal formally to the Chicago Motor Coach Company. Under the CTA proposal, neither company would pay the other for exchange transfers. The present transfer arrangement would continue without interruption.

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Decision Up to Motor Coach Company

Failure of the Chicago Motor Coach Company to accept the Authority's offer in writing on or before Thursday, May 17, 1951, will be considered an election by the Chicago Motor Coach Company to discontinue intercompany riding privileges now existing between the Chicago Transit Authority and the Chicago Motor Coach Company.

Chairman Ralph Budd and General Manager Walter J. McCarter have been given authority to take whatever steps may be required for the convenience of local transit patrons who will be seriously affected in the event that the Chicago Motor Coach Company elects to withdraw the existing intercompany transfer arrangement by declining to accept the Authority's offer.

(Signed) CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD