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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of )  
J. F. BICKFORD for certificate of )  
public convenience and necessity to : Application No. 8864  
operate passenger and freight service )  
between Elk Creek and Alder Springs. )

BY THE COMMISSION,

ORDER

J. F. Bickford has filed an application with the Railroad Commission in which he petitions for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Elk Creek and Alder Springs and intermediate points, California, from May 1st to November 1st of each year.

Applicant states in support of his petition that he holds a contract for the transportation of U. S. Mail between the two points hereinabove named; that under such contract he is obliged to operate three round trips per week during the months of July, August and September and two round trips per week during the months of May, June and October.

Public transportation service between these points was heretofore rendered by one Henry True who was the predecessor of applicant in the transportation of mail. Upon the loss of the mail contract said True abandoned service and at the present time there is no operation by public carrier over this route. Applicant has as equipment one 5-passenger Overland automobile and one Overland truck which he proposes to use, charging a round trip rate of \$2.50 and a freight rate of \$.50 per hundred pounds.

We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by J. F. Bickford of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Elk Creek and Alder Springs, and intermediate points, California, during the period of time, May 1st to November 1st of each year, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and the same hereby is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall file his written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed ten (10) days from date hereof; shall file, in duplicate, tariff of rates and time schedules within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from date hereof, which tariff of rates and time schedules shall be identical with those filed as Exhibits "A" and "B" attached to the application herein; and shall commence operation of the service herein authorized within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof.

2. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.

3. No vehicle may be operated by applicant herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by him under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of May, 1923.

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H. B. ...  
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Commissioners