Decision No 13700

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COLLISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of ASSOCIATED TRANSIT COMPANY, a corporation, for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate autofreight truck service between the City of Los Angeles and certain points in Southern California.

)Application No. 10,082

BY THE COMMISSION.

ORDER

This is an application filed by the Associated Transit Company, a corporation, in which it petitions for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of automotive trucks for the transportation of newspapers for compensation from Los Angeles over regular routes delivering said newspapers to the following named cities and towns:

Milmington, San Pedro and Long Beach, Venice, Santa Monica, Glendale, Pasadena, Alhambra, Los Angeles and Inglewood, Hawthorne, Gardena, Torrance, Redondo, Hermosa, Manhattan, El. Segundo, Huntington Park, Belvedere Gardens, Bell, Montebello, Whittier, La Habra, Artesia, Norwalk, Bellflower, Clearwater, Downey, Culver City, Palms, Sawtelle, Ocean Park, Beverly, Sherman, South Pasadena, Pasadena, Lankershim, Van Nuys, San Fernando, Universal City, Zelzah, Owensmouth, Newhall, Sangus, Piru, Fillmore, Santa Paula, Saticoy, El Rio, Oxnard, Camarillo, Somis, Moore Park, Simi, Santa Susana, Chatsworth, Santa Barbara, Montecito, Summerland, Carpinteria, Calabasas, Newberry Park, Trumfro, Harbor City, Lomita, Torrance, Gardena, Monrovia, Paloma, Compton, Long Beach and intermediate points.

Applicant maintains a fleet of some twenty-eight trucks and have for several years last past delivered daily papers regularly for compensation from Los angeles publishing houses for distribution to points hereinabove named. This service is carried on approximately a twenty-four hour basis, the trucks of applicant being subject to call by its newspaper publishing clients whenever an issue of a regular or special is off the press and ready for distribution. The service is rendered at a rate of \$3.00 per hour for a one ton truck, minimum charge being upon a two hour basis.

While there are a number of other freight carriers, both railroad and truck, in the territory served their operations are carried on on regular schedules which it is claimed are not suitable for the transportation of newspapers particularly morning editions which are dispatched from Los Angeles each night at approximately 12 M to 1:00 A.M. Applicant's trucks handle newspapers only carrying them directly from the publishing houses and distributing over the various routes operated.

In view of the fact that applicant has been engaged in this business for some years last past; that no complaint has been made to the Commission by any existing carrier to the effect that such operation in any way affected their existing business; and further in view of the fact that immediately upon notification to applicant that this newspaper transportation fell within the provisions of Chapter 213. Statutes of 1917, and amendments thereto, in that it was transportation of property for compensation over regular routes it immediately filed application for certificate, 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 RULLROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Associated Transit Company, a corporation, of automotive truck service for the transportation of newspapers only between Los Angeles and Wilmington. San Pedro and Long Beach, Venice, Santa Monica, Glandale, Pasadena, Alhambra, Los Angeles and Inglewood, Hawthorne, Gardena, Torrance, Redondo, Hermose, Manhattan, El Segundo, Huntington Park, Belvedere Gardens, Bell, Montebello, Whittier, La Habra, Artesia, Norwalk, Bellflower, Clearwater, Downey, Culver City, Palma, Sawtelle, Ocean Park, Beverly, Sherman, South Pasadena, Pasadena, Lankershim, Van Muys, San Fernando, Universal City, Zelsah, Owensmouth, Newhell, Saugus, Piru, Fillmore, Santa Paula, Saticoy, El Rio, Oxnard, Camarillo, Somis, Moore Park, Simi, Santa Susana, Chatsworth, Santa Barbara, Montecito, Summerland, Carpinteria, Calabasas, Newberry Park, Trumfro, Harbor City, Lomita, Torrance, Gardena, Monrovia, Paloma, Compton, Long Beach and intermediate points, and

IT IS HEREBY OFDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and the same hereby is granted.

Subject to the following conditions:

l. Applicant shall file its written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed ten (10) days from date hereof, which written acceptance shall contain a statement to the effect that applicant fully understands the conditions under which said certificate is granted and that no property shall be transported for compensation under said certificate other than newspapers.

- 2. Applicant shall file within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from date hereof tariff of rates identical with those as shown in the exhibit attached to the application herein; and shall commence service within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof.
- 3. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the writton consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.
- 4. No vehicle may be operated by applicant unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this

13 day of Jane. 1924.

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Commissioners