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Decision No. 14010

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the application of  
C. M. BLABON and J. R. CLEAVELAND,  
to lease and sell, and PICKWICK STAGES,  
NORTHERN DIVISION, a corporation, to  
rent and purchase, those certain  
operative rights of the former between  
Fresno and Santa Cruz, and between Los  
Banos and Gilroy, California, and  
intermediate points.

) ORIGINAL

) Application No. 10445

BY THE COMMISSION,

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C. M. Blabon and J. R. Cleaveland, co-partners, have  
filed a joint application with Pickwick Stages, Northern Division,  
a corporation, in which they petition for an order authorizing  
the co-partnership to transfer to the corporation certain auto-  
motive stage properties as hereinafter more specifically set  
forth.

Under Decision No. 7648 in Application No. 5192, dated  
May 27, 1920, the co-partnership was granted a certificate of  
public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of  
automotive passenger stage service between Fresno and Santa Cruz  
via Los Banos, Hollister, San Juan and Watsonville, the decision  
specifically prohibiting transportation of passengers locally  
between Fresno and Los Banos and between Watsonville and Santa  
Cruz. Under Decision No. 10023 in Application No. 7219, dated  
January 30, 1922, the co-partnership was granted a certificate  
authorizing the operation of passenger stage service between  
Los Banos and Gilroy, via the Pacheco Pass and serving the inter-

mediate points of San Luis Rancho and Bell Station.

In addition to the operative rights as above set forth it is also proposed to transfer two 14-passenger Cadillac auto stages and one 7-passenger Cadillac auto stage for a total sum of \$35,000.00 payable over a period from date of approval to and including January 19, 1926. During such period of time the agreement provides that the Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, shall take over, under lease agreement, properties as above set forth with option to purchase for the sum of \$1.00 upon termination of payments as specifically set forth in the agreement attached to the application herein. The application further sets forth that the Pickwick Company proposes to continue operation of service under the same rates and time schedules as now on file with the Railroad Commission and with the understanding that in granting application as herein applied for the Commission in no way authorizes any different, greater or less service than that now being rendered by the co-partnership, 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.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled application be, and the same hereby is granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. The consideration to be paid for the properties herein authorized transferred shall never be urged before this Commission or any other rate fixing body as a measure of value of said property for rate fixing or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

2. Applicants Blabon and Cleaveland, co-partners, shall immediately cancel tariff of rates and time schedules on file with the Commission covering service, certificates for which is herein authorized transferred. Such cancellation to be in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 51.

3. Applicant Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, shall immediately file, in duplicate, or adopt as its own the tariff of rates and time schedules as filed by the co-partners Blabon and Cleaveland covering said service. All rates and time schedules to be identical with those as filed by the said co-partner.

4. The rights and privileges herein authorized transferred may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission shall have first been obtained.

5. No vehicle may be operated by applicant Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, unless such vehicle is owned or leased under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1924.

H. B. Brundage  
Livingston Martin  
Ernest A. Shore  
J. T. Whelan  
Commissioners