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Decision No. 14020

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY, successor)
to the rights and properties of)
RICHMOND-SAN FRANCISCO TRANSPORTATION)
COMPANY, for certificate of public con-) Application No. 10408
venience and necessity for the opera-)
tion of a ferry for transportation of)
automobiles, passengers and freight)
upon the inland waters of the State of)
California between San Francisco and)
Richmond, California.

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E. J. Foulds for Applicant

D. J. Hall for City of Richmond

WHITTLESEY, Commissioner.

O P I N I O N

This is a proceeding in which the Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, applies for a certificate of public convenience and necessity under the provisions of Sub-section (d) of Section 50 of the Public Utilities Act authorizing the operation of ferry service between San Francisco and Point Richmond, California.

A public hearing on the above entitled application was held in San Francisco on September 4, 1924 at which time evidence was introduced, the matter submitted and it is now ready for decision.

Under Decision No. 12937 in Application No. 9430 dated December 17, 1923, the Railroad Commission granted to

the Richmond-San Francisco Transportation Company, a corporation, a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of ferry service for the transportation of passengers, automotive vehicles, horse drawn vehicles, trailers and passengers or freight contained therein between the points herein proposed to be served.

The entire record in the proceeding last above mentioned was, by stipulation, incorporated as a part of the record in the instant application, it appearing from the present application that the Southern Pacific Company has taken over the interests of the Richmond-San Francisco Transportation Company as set forth in Exhibit "A" accompanying the application herein.

Testimony was introduced by applicant to the effect that they propose to commence service on or about January 15, 1925, when the first ferry will be delivered to them by the ship building company; that in its inception it is proposed to operate service upon a two hour schedule commencing at six or seven A.M. and operating throughout the day until eight or nine o'clock P.M.; that the rates heretofore set forth by the Richmond-San Francisco Transportation Company will be assessed for the service rendered, subject to qualifying rules and regulations.

No one appeared in protest to the granting of the application as herein applied for. The City of Richmond was represented by its City Attorney who stated that said City had consented to the transfer of the franchise heretofore granted the Richmond-San Francisco Transportation Company and was in favor of the establishment of service by the Southern Pacific Company as herein proposed.

In view of the evidence as to the necessity existing for service as set forth in the record in Application No. 9430, I

am of the opinion that the present application should be granted and an Order will be entered accordingly.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled application, evidence having been submitted and the Commission being fully advised,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that present and future public convenience and necessity require the operation by the Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, of ferry service between San Francisco and Point Richmond, for the transportation of passengers, automotive vehicles, horse drawn vehicles, trailers and passengers or freight contained therein, 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:

Applicant shall file within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof, its written acceptance of the certificate herein granted; shall file within a period of not to exceed sixty (60) days from date hereof, tariff of rates, identical with the tariff of rates set forth by the Richmond-San Francisco Transportation Company as amended; and shall commence service under the certificate herein granted not later than February 1st, 1925, unless such time is formally extended by supplemental order.

The foregoing Opinion and Order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of September, 1924.

W. C. Seavey
H. W. Brundage
Irving Martin
Robert Shore
J. F. Whitney
Commissioners