Decision No. 14229- **

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of WHEELER'S HOT SPRINGS STAGE LINE for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

:Application No. 10585

BY THE COMMISSION:

PRELIMINARY ORDER

W.W.Wilcox and Murray D. Bayless, co-partners doing business under the name of Wheeler's Hot Springs Stage Line. filed an application with the Railroad Commission in which they petition for a definition of the operative rights held by said co-partners covering transportation of passengers and express matter between Los Angeles, Wheeler's Hot Springs and certain intermediate points. Further, that if the Commission holds that said co-partnership has not now the right to give year around service for the transportation of express matter and passengers over the route hereinabove named that a certificate be issued authorizing such operation.

It appears from the records of this Commission that the co-partnership in question has been operating stage service between Los Angeles and Wheeler's Hot Springs and intermediate points since approximately the year 1915; the tariffs and time schedules were filed with the Commission in the name of the co-partnership in April 1917. It further appears, however, that this service was heretofore only rendered during the period

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May 1st to November 1st of each year and was discontinued during the winter months due to the fact that the Springs in question were closed in winter and that the roads leading to the Springs were impassable for such operation. A new road has now been constructed and under the present application applicants have also asked that a temporary certificate be granted authorizing them to continue operation as heretofore rendered during the summer months on and after November 1st and until such time as the Commission may issue its decision upon the instant application and also its decision in connection with Case No. 2015 being a complaint by the Pickwick Stages, N.D. a corporation, vs. W.W.Wilcox, et al., and good cause appearing,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by W.W.Wilcox and Murray D. Bayless, co-partners doing business under the name of Wheeler's Hot Springs Stage Line, of automotive stage service for the transportation of passengers and express matter on and after November 1, 1924 to and including the issuance of decision by the Railroad Commission upon Application No. 10585 and Case No. 2015, as a continuation of and strictly in accordance with the identical service, tariff of rates and time schedules as rendered by said co-partnership during the period May 1st to November 1st, 1924.

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Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3/ 1924.

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