Decision No. 1453,

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of the PIERCE ARROW STAGE for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a passenger and express service between Diamond Springs and Diamond Cross Roads, as a stub to connect with all schedules of the Pierce Arrow Stage between Sacramento and Placerville. ORIGINAL

Application No. 9534

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

This is an application by A. L. Richardson doing business under the fictitious name of Pierce Arrow Stage, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate an auto stage line for the transportation of passengers and express between Diamond Springs and Diamond Springs Cross-roads, in Placer County. It is proposed to conduct the operation as a "stub" to connect with all the schedules of the Pierce Arrow Stage service between Sacramento and Placerville.

Under existing conditions travelers on the Pierce Arrow Stage seeking transportation between Sacramento or Placer-ville and Diamond Springs must disembark at the Cross Roads and walk a distance of one and one-half miles to Diamond Springs. The Southern Pacific operates one schedule a day each way between Placerville and Sacramento serving Daimond Springs as an

intermediate point. This limited service makes necessary a lay over of one-night at Placerville by those desiring to make a trip from Diamond Springs to Placerville and return. Establishment of the proposed stub stage and connection with Pierce Arrow Stage operations between Sacramento and Placerville will obviate the necessity for the lay over at Placerville, and also provide additional means of transportation for a territory at present inadequately served. There are several hundred people employed in the lumber industry in the vicinity of Diamond Springs to whom the additional service will prove a decided convenience.

Necessity for auto passenger stage service in this territory has been shown at hearings before the Commission, a certificate having been issued to one W.R.De Wolfe, who, however, asked for a rehearing on his application, basing his petition on objections to certain restrictions placed on his operation by the Commission's order. Subsequently he gave up his mail contract and left the neighborhood, and following his abandonment of service, the instant application was filed.

We believe that this application, in part, should be granted, and that it is not a matter requiring a public hearing. The service to be established should be limited to the transportation of passengers and baggage in accordance with the rules and regulations now on file with the Commission in CRC No.5 under the name of Pierce Arrow Stage; that the operation should be maintained as a stub service, connecting with the main line operations of the Pierce Arrow Stage between Sacramento and Placerville and that Pierce Arrow Stages be granted permission to establish through and joint rates between all points on its main line and Diamond Springs, but not to establish through service.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by A. L. Richardson, doing business under the fictitious name of Pierce Arrow Stage, of an antomotive stage service for the transportation of passengers and baggage between Diamond Springs Cross Roads and Diamond Springs and intermediate points.

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

- 1. That the operation shall be conducted as a "stub" service, connecting with the service of Pierce Arrow Stage between Sacramento and Placerville at a point known as Dismond Springs Cross Roads.
- 2. That no authority is herein granted for the linking up for the purpose of establishing through service of the certificate herein granted with the operating right heretofore established by A. L. Richardson between Sacramento and Flacerville and intermediate points. This restriction is not, however, to prohibit the publication by Pierce Arrow Stage of through and joint rates between all points shown in tariffs now on file with the Railroad Commission and Diamond Springs, permission to publish such through and joint rates being hereby granted.
- 3. Applicant shall file his written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed fifteen (15) 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 such tariff of rates and time schedules to be identical with those attached to the application herein insofar as they refer to rates and time schedules covering service authorized by the order herein; and shall commence operation of said service within a period of not to exceed sixty (60) days from date hereof.
- 4. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred, nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission thereto has first been secured.
 - 5. No vehicle may be operated by applicant

herein unless such vehicle is owned or is lessed by said applicant under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Authority to establish express service in accordance with the application herein is hereby specifically denied.

For all other purposes, the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5 day of February, 1925.

Commissioners