

Decision No. 14768.

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of VERN )  
 TOWNE for certificate of public conven- )  
 ience and necessity to operate Freight ) Application No. 10243  
 service between Santa Cruz and Salinas. )

L. N. Bradshaw, for  
 Southern Pacific Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Vern Towne seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the operation of an automobile freight service between Santa Cruz and Salinas and intermediate points.

The matter was set for hearing on March 31, 1923, at Santa Cruz before Examiner Austin, due notice whereof was given the applicant. At the time and place appointed, the case was called for hearing, but no appearance was made by applicant, nor by any one on his behalf, neither was any evidence offered in support of the application. The Southern Pacific Company appeared as a protestant to the granting of the application, but offered no testimony. Thereupon the matter was submitted and is now ready for decision.

In view of the applicant's abandonment of the application, indicated by his failure to appear at the hearing, and to offer testimony in support of his application, the application will be denied.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled application, the same having been duly submitted, and being now ready for decision,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this application be and the same hereby is denied.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of April, 1925.

H. B. Mendigo  
O. Searcy  
Egerton Shaw  
George D. Squires  
Frank J. ...  
Commissioners.