

Decision No. 14983

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
W. H. MILLER and WEST COAST TRANSIT
COMPANY, a corporation, for an order
of the Railroad Commission authorizing
Miller to sell and the corporation to
purchase and thereafter operate an
automotive passenger, express and
freight line between Ulich, Mendocino
County, California, and Upper Lake,
Lake County and intermediate points
and of the WEST COAST TRANSIT COMPANY,
a corporation, for a supplemental order
with reference to the use of stock
heretofore authorized to be issued, and
also for a certificate of public con-
venience and necessity authorizing
an extension of the certificate herein
sought to be transferred from Upper Lake
to Clear Lake Beach and intermediate
points, California.

) Application No. 11154

BY THE COMMISSION -

OPINION and ORDER

W. H. Miller has petitioned the Railroad Commission for authority to sell and transfer an operating right for the transportation of passengers, express, baggage and freight between Ulich and Upper Lake and intermediate points, and West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, has petitioned for authority to purchase and acquire said operating right and hereafter operate thereunder, the sale and transfer to be in accordance with a document marked lease sale contract, which document is attached to the application herein and made a part thereof. West Coast Transit Company has also petitioned for a certificate of convenience and necessity authorizing operation, as an extension of the Miller right as described herein, of an auto stage service for the transportation of passengers, express, baggage and freight to a point on the east shore of Clear Lake, approximately 9 miles from Upper Lake.

ORIGINAL

The consideration to be paid for the property herein proposed to be transferred is given as \$12,000, which sum is said to represent the value of certain physical property listed in the document heretofore referred to as lease sale contract. Of the purchase price \$6000 is to be paid on approval of the proposed transfer by the Railroad Commission, which payment is to be made in first preferred stock of the West Coast Transit Company at par, to wit: 60 shares of the par value of \$100 each. Issuance of this stock is to be in accordance with the terms of a supplemental order to Decision No.13435, on Application No.9807, issued by the Railroad Commission, which decision authorizes West Coast Transit Company to issue \$200,000 par value of its preferred stock, the proceeds thereof to be used for the purchase of additional equipment and to discharge indebtedness. The balance of \$6000 is to be paid in monthly installments of \$250.

The operating right herein sought to be transferred was established by W. E. Miller through operation prior to May 1, 1917, and continuously since that date, and the proper filing of tariffs and time schedules in accordance with the Railroad Commission's General Order No.47.

Applicant West Coast Transit Company, in justification of its petition for authority to extend the right to be acquired from Miller to Clear Lake Beach, declares that there has been recently developed on the shore of Clear Lake a summer resort which has attracted a large number of persons, resulting in a demand for transportation facilities during the summer months. It is declared further that the promoters of the enterprise employ a large force of men and will require transportation facilities for such employees and for large quantities of building materials and supplies which must be hauled to the beach to meet the building and development plans, not only of the promoters of the resort but of the owners of some 5500 lots that have already been sold.

We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is required and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the application of W. H. Miller to transfer, and of West Coast Transit Company to acquire an operating right for the transportation of passengers, express, baggage and freight between Union and Upper Lake and intermediate points be, and the same hereby is granted, subject to the following conditions:

- 1- The consideration to be paid for the property herein authorized to be 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- Applicant Miller shall immediately cancel tariff of rates and time schedules on file with the Commission covering service, certificate for which is herein authorized to be transferred. Such cancellation to be in accordance with the provisions of General Order No.51.
- 3- Applicant West Coast Transit Company shall immediately file, in duplicate, an adoption of the tariff of rates and time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission in the name of W. H. Miller, such adoption to be in accordance with the provision of General Order No.51.
- 4- The rights and privileges herein authorized to be transferred shall not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.
- 5- No vehicle may be operated by applicant West Coast Transit Company unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.
- 6- This order shall not become effective until the minimum fee of \$25. required to be paid on evidences of indebtedness by Section 6 of the Auto Stage and Truck Transportation Act and the Public Utilities Act has been paid.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require the operation by West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, of an auto stage service for the transportation of passengers, express, baggage and freight between Upper Lake and a point on the east

shore of Clear Lake about 9 miles distant from Upper Lake, said operation to be conducted during the resort season in conjunction with, and as an extension of the operating right herein transferred by W. H. Miller to West Coast Transit Company.

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

- 1- Applicant West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, shall file with the Railroad Commission its written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed ten (10) 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; and shall commence operation of said service within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof.
- 2- The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.
- 3- No vehicle may be operated by applicant herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by him under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.
- 4- For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of May, 1925.

H.W. Burridge
C. Steeney
Egerton Sharpe



COMMISSIONERS.