Decision NO. 15298

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Aplication ) of the Pickwick Stages, Inc. and ) Pacific Coast Motor Coach Company) to Publish Joint Fares.

APPLICATION NO. 11345

Warren E. Libby for applicants

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION

This is an application filed jointly by the Pickwick Stages, Inc. and the Pacific Coast Motor Coach Company seeking permission to establish joint passenger fares between Balboz, and Dana and points intermediate thereto, served by the Pacific Coast Motor Coach Company on the one hand and on the other San Diego, Warner Hot Springs, Elsinor, El Centro and points intermediate thereto, served by the Pickwick Stages, Inc.

A public hearing was held at Los Angeles before Examiner Geary on July 22, 1925 and the matter having been duly submitted is now ready for an opinion and order.

The proposed fares as set forth in the application are based on the full combination of the local fares of the two carriers.

A witness for the applicants testified that the establishment of a through route via these carriers and the sale of joint tickets would be a decided advantage to the traveling public.

It is not proposed to change in any manner the physical operations of the auto busses, and passengers will be transferred at the junction point of the carriers as at the present time. The joint fares will meet a public convenience by eliminating the necessity of purchasing separate tickets.

The territory between Balboa and Dana is sparsely settled and at this time furnishes only two or three through passenger busses per day, but there has been a constant demand for a better service and for joint fares. The community has no direct transportation southbound except via the lines of these anto stages and the granting of this application is expected to stimulate traffic from the northern end of the line. There was no opposition to the proposed adjustment.

We are of the opinion there is a necessity for the publication of the joint fares and that the application should be granted.

## ORDER

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

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that there is a necessity for the publication

of joint passenger fares between the points served by the applicants, as set forth in the application.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Pickwick Stages, Inc. and the Pacific Coast Motor Coach Company be authorized to publish and file tariffs setting forth the joint fares to be assessed over the through route, such fares to be based on the full combination of locals applicable between the points set forth in the application.

George D. Tquines

Leon Whitsliff

Commissioners.