

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 15419

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
West Coast Transit Company,  
a corporation, for permission to  
abandon automotive stage service be-  
tween Arcata and Samoa.  
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Application No. 11677.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, engaged in the business of transporting persons and property over the highways between certain fixed points for compensation, said business being conducted under the authority of the Railroad Commission as shown by the Commission's records, has petitioned the Commission for authority to discontinue operation of its auto stage service between Arcata and Samoa and intermediate points.

Originally the service between Arcata and Samoa was established by one Donald McPherson, who was granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the operation of a passenger and limited express service by the Railroad Commission in its decision on Application No. 8729. Said certificate was acquired by West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, with the approval of the Commission as shown in its Decision No. 14334, dated December 4, 1924, on Application No. 10630.

On June 1, 1925, the Railroad Commission authorized the West Coast Transit Company to discontinue service between Arcata and Samoa, said authorization, as conveyed in a letter

bearing the Commission's file No. 316-8, being based on the Company's declaration that the closing of schools and shut down of lumber mills in the Arcata-Samoa district, made further operation unnecessary until September 5, 1925.

The instant proceeding is a formal request that the temporary suspension of service be made permanent and it is predicated on the declaration that the school district plans operation of its own bus for the transportation of pupils and that there is little prospect of the lumber mines being re-opened in the immediate future. We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, be, and the same hereby is, authorized to discontinue automotive passenger and express service between Arcata and Samoa, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, shall immediately file a cancellation of rates and time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission, covering service between Arcata and Samoa, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing said service between Arcata and Samoa, as granted to West Coast Transit Company, a corporation, in the Railroad Commission's

Decision No. 14334, on Application No. 10630, be, and the same hereby is revoked and annulled.

Dated at San Francisco, California.

this 19th day of September, 1925.

H. B. Brundage

George D. Squires

Leon A. Willard

Commissioners.