Decision No. 18753

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of ORVAL OVERALL and E. L. ASKIN, doing business under the name and style of SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK STAGE COMPANY, for authority to change routing of stage line under existing certificates.

Application No. 10473 Supplemental.

BY THE COMMISSION:

PRELIMINARY ORDER.

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WHEREAS, Orval Overall and E. L. Askin, doing business under the firm name and style of Sequoia National Park Stage Company, have in an application supplemental to the above entitled proceeding, petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the abandonment of that part of their present route between Visalia and a point on the east boundary of Sequoia National Park north of Kaweah, and a re-routing of their auto stage line, and

WHEREAS, said supplemental application is based on a claim that the United States Government has established a new entrance to Sequoia National Park near its westerly boundary line, which new entrance is reached by a new highway known as the Generals Highway, and

WHEREAS, in a letter to the Railroad Commission, dated May 19, 1926, applicants herein have advised that the old road is practically impassable, and that they desire, pending final decision by the Commission in the matter of the re-routing as herein proposed, temporary authorization to use the new highway and entrance to the Park, beginning with the opening of the Park

on May 24, 1926.

NOW THEREFORE, good cause appearing,

THE RATIROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Sequoia National Park Stage Company of an automobile stage service between Visalia and the new entrance to Sequoia National Park and intermediate points on what is known as the Generals Highway, and the abandonment of the service now being given by said Sequoia National Park Stage Company between Kaweah and the old entrance to the Park, authority for said rerouting and abandonment to be considered solely as a temporary expedient, in no way affecting the status of the pending application by Sequoia National Park Stage Company for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing permanent abandonment and re-routing, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a temporary certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the abandonment and re-routing as herein proposed be and the same hereby is granted to Sequois National Park Stage Company, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) That the certificate herein authorized to be issued shall not be considered as other than a temporary authorization.
- (2) That the certificate herein authorized shall expire with the issuance by the Railroad Commission of its final decision in the matter of the application of Sequoia National Park Stage Company for authority permanently to re-route its service between Visalia and Sequoia National Park.
 - (3) That the rates and time schedules and rules and regula-

tions now on file with the Railroad Commission in the name of Sequoia National Park Stage Company shall cover the temporary service.

(4) That Sequoia National Park Stage Company shall immediately file an acceptance of the temporary certificate herein authorized, said acceptance to contain the declaration that the temporary character of the certificate is fully understood.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24 day of May, 1926.

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Commissioners.