Decision No. 18562.



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of J. C. Orvis, doing business under the fictitious name of Los Angeles-Compton Transportation Company, to sell and of S. B. Cowan to purchase an operative right for the transportation of freight by motor truck between Los Angeles and Compton and intermediate points.

Application No. 13865

BY THE COMMISSION:

CPINION AND ORDER

J. C. Orvis has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order approving the sale and transfer by him to S. B. Cowan of an operating right for an automobile service for the transportation of property between Los Angeles and Compton and intermediate points and S. B. Cowan has applied for authority to purchase and acquire said operating right and to hereafter operate thereunder, the sale and transfer to be in accordance with an agreement marked Exhibit "A", which exhibit is attached to the application herein and made a part Thereof.

The consideration to be paid for the property herein proposed to be transferred is given as \$1200 all of which sum is declared by applicants to be the value of intangibles.

The operating right herein proposed to be transferred was originally granted to one H. A. Chaffee by the Railroad Commission in its Decision No. 6190, dated March 12, 1919 and issued on application No. 4226. Chaffee, in said decision, was authorized to operate an

"* * * automobile truck service as a common carrier of freight between Los Angeles and Compton * * *."

In the opinion preceding the order in the matter of application No. 4226 granting said operating right to Chaffee is the following language:

"Applicant seeks authorization only for through business between los Angeles and Compton and does not contemplate nor desire handling business to intermediate points."

In Decision No. 8727, dated March 11, 1921 and issued on Application No. 6605, Chaffee was authorized to transfer the operating right to Cuchna & Lavezzi. Under authority of Decision No. 9249 on Application No. 6998, dated July 22, 1921, Cuchna & Lavezzi transferred the right to E. P. Tallon, and the last named, under authority of Decision No. 11905, dated April 6, 1923, on Application No. 8846, transferred a one-half interest in the operating right to F. J. Stanley. The latter died on December 17, 1924, and his interest passed to his widow, Mary Frances Stanley, sole surviving heir. Mrs. Stanley and E. P. Tallon, with the approval of the Commission, as shown by Decision No. 15271, dated August 10, 1925 and issued on Application No. 11416, transferred the right to applicant Orvis.

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 the above entitled application be and the same hereby is granted, subject to the following conditions:

l- 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 J. C. Orvis shall immediately unite with applicant S. B. Sowan in common supplement to the tariffs on file with the Commission, applicant Orvis on the one hand withdrawing, and applicant Cowan on the other hand accepting and establishing such tariffs and all effective supplements thereto.

3- Applicant Orvis shall immediately withdraw time schedules filed in his name with the Railroad Commission and applicant Cowan shall immediately file, in duplicate, in his own name, time schedules covering service heretofore given by applicant Orvis which time schedules shall be identical with the time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission in the name of applicant Orvis or time schedules satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

4- The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be sold, leased, transferred nor assigned, nor service thereunder discontinued, unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such sale, lease, transfer, assignment or discontinuance has first been secured.

5- No vehicle may be operated by applicant Cowan 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.

6- The order herein is not to be construed as authority for S. B. Cowan to merge or consolidate the operating right herein transferred with operating rights now owned by Cowan nor to make any changes in the service now being given by J. C. Orvis unless said change is authorized by the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California this

- day of

June, 1927.

Commissioners.