Decision No. 21379



PEFORE THE RAILFOAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of D.S. Mitchell to sell, and W.M. Sanford and Frank G. Word to purchase, the right to operate, (a) an automobile passenger and baggage line between Susanville and California-Oregon State Line and intermediate points via Bieber and Adin, California, and (b) an automobile passenger; baggage and express line between Susanville and Alturas and intermediate points via Madeline, California.

Supplemental Application No. 15599.

EY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION and ORDER on SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

W.M. Sanford and Frank G. Word, operators of an automotive passenger stage service between Susanville and California-Oregon state line, via Bieber and Adin, have, in this supplemental application, requested authority of the Railroad Commission to establish an on call, or demand service between Susanville and Canby and intermediate points in lieu of the three-times-a-week service now being given. It is not proposed to alter the daily, except Sunday, service now in operation between Canby and the State line and intermediate points, nor the daily, except Sunday service of applicants between Susanville and Alturas, via Madeline.

It is asserted by applicants that traffic demands between Susanville and Canby and intermediate points, via Bieber and Adin, do not justify operation of the service now scheduled. They declare that during the period from May 28, 1929 to June 29, 1929 they made 15 round trips of 194 miles each (aggregating 2910 miles) on which but three passengers were carried, yielding a revenue of \$13.75, a sum inadequate to meet any but a very small fraction of the cost of operation.

Attached to the supplemental application herein is a petition signed by 95% of people affected by the proposed change in service, which petition sets forth that the signers have no

objection to the issuance of the order prayed for.

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. Therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that W.M. Sanford and Frank G. Word be and they are hereby authorized to substitute until further ordered by the Railroad Commission, an "on call" service for the transportation of passengers and baggage between Susanville and Canby and intermediate points, via Bieber and Adin, for the three-times-a-week service now operated, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that applicants shall post in their depots and cars, at least five days prior to said change in service, notice of said curtailment, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that said applicants shall make such time schedule and tariff filings as are required by the Commission's Ceneral Orders to cover said change.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18 day of July, 1929.

COMMISSIONERS.