

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 22884.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

<p>In the matter of the application of AMASA S. BRYANT, for certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise privileges mentioned in franchise granted to applicant by the County of Mono (California).</p>)
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Application No. 16561.

Amasa S. Bryant, in propria persona.

DECOTO, COMMISSIONER:

O P I N I O N

Amasa S. Bryant has asked the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by him of the rights and privileges of a franchise granted to him by the County of Mono.

A public hearing was held at Bridgeport, Mono County, on August 29, 1930, at which time testimony was received and the matter submitted for decision. No one appeared to oppose the granting of this application.

Applicant proposes to generate and distribute electric energy in the town of Bridgeport and vicinity and has installed and ready for operation two 1½ K.W. and one 5 K.W. Kohler gasoline driven direct current generators with appropriate switching equipment and a considerable portion of the pole line necessary to serve the town. This equipment represents an investment of approximately four thousand five hundred (4,500) dollars, exclusive of labor costs.

The town has a population of about two hundred (200) and applicant considers its requirements sufficient to warrant the

expenditure involved. As an evidence of his faith he has obtained a franchise and proceeded with the installation of his system.

There is room for doubt as to whether a plant of the size and character of that proposed can operate at any profit or render the character of service that under more favorable conditions would be considered satisfactory. However, as Bridgeport does not now have electric service nor any prospect of service from any other source, and as the certificate is not exclusive, it appears that the public may be benefited and cannot be harmed by the granting of this application.

Ordinance No. 136, adopted June 3, 1930, by the Board of Supervisors of Mono County, grants applicant a franchise to generate and distribute electric energy in Bridgeport and vicinity for a period of fifty (50) years. It carries the usual provision for a tax of two (2) per cent of the gross revenue earned thereunder, to become effective five (5) years from and after the date of grant.

Applicant stipulated that he will never claim before the Railroad Commission, or before any court or other public body, any value for the above mentioned franchise in excess of the actual cost thereof, which is stated to be two hundred and fifty (250) dollars.

I recommend the following form of order:

O R D E R

Amasa S. Bryant having applied to the Railroad Commission of the State of California for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise of the rights and privileges heretofore granted to him by the County of Mono under Ordinance No. 136, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been submitted and now being ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by Amasa S. Bryant of the rights and privileges contained in the franchise granted to him by Ordinance No. 136 of

the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mono.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

The foregoing Opinion and Order is hereby approved and ordered filed as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of September, 1930.

W. A. Sawyer
Edward J. ...
Thomas E. ...

Commissioners.