

Decision No. 24791

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 NAPA VALLEY BUS COMPANY, a corporation,)
 for a certificate of public convenience) Application
 and necessity for the transportation of) No.18121
 express and baggage over its certificated)
 route, between Vallejo and Calistoga,)
 California.)

BY THE COMMISSION -

ORIGINALO P I N I O N

Napa Valley Bus Company, a corporation, (subsidiary of San Francisco, Napa & Calistoga Railway) has made application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the transportation of express and baggage over its heretofore certificated route between Vallejo and Calistoga.

Applicant herein possesses a certificate for the transportation of passengers between Vallejo and Calistoga by authority of Decision No.18217, dated April 11, 1927, on its Application No.12359. The certificate is limited to "the operation of an auto stage service as a common carrier of passengers between Calistoga, Napa county, and Vallejo, Solano county," subject, amongst others, to the following condition:

"No authority is hereby conferred authorizing the establishment of an independent passenger automobile stage line, the certificate hereby granted being intended only for the purpose of co-ordinating service with the train service of San Francisco, Napa and Calistoga Railway under the terms and conditions of an agreement, which agreement shall be submitted to this Commission for approval as to its form, substance and conditions."

Since the granting of this application and approval of the contract required service has been maintained by applicant with a passenger service in lieu of train service or co-ordinated with train service. Recently, by Decision No.24688, on Application

No.18037, San Francisco, Napa & Calistoga Railway was permitted to discontinue train service between St. Helena and Calistoga. This electric railway, in February, suffered the loss of its power station by fire.

Under the certificate granted applicant it possesses authority to transport its passengers from St. Helena to Calistoga and vice versa but does not possess the right to transport express or baggage. By the present application it is intended to provide for the transportation of express and baggage in co-ordination with train service and at the rates for train service as provided in Local and Joint Passenger Tariff No.G-8, C.R.C. 108, of San Francisco, Napa & Calistoga Railway and tariffs of Railway Express Agency, Inc., whose property it will transport under contract only. Applicant also requests to be permitted to transport its express or baggage between Vallejo and Calistoga when same is co-ordinated with its train service.

We believe this is a matter in which a public hearing is unnecessary and that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

Napa Valley Bus Company, a corporation, having made application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the transportation of express and baggage over its certificated route between Vallejo and Calistoga.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the transportation of express and baggage between Vallejo and Calistoga by automotive vehicles and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate therefor be and it is hereby granted Napa Valley Bus Company over the route already certificated for passengers between Vallejo and Calistoga by Decision No.18217, on Application No.12359, provided that such certificate be accepted as an addition and enlargement of such service as authorized and not as a new or separate right, and subject to the following conditions:

1- No authority is hereby conferred authorizing the establishment of an independent passenger automotive stage line, the certificate, as amended, hereby granted, being intended only for the purpose of co-ordinating service with the train service of San Francisco, Napa & Calistoga Railway, under the terms of the certain contract between San Francisco, Napa & Calistoga Railway and Napa Valley Bus Line, executed May 24, 1927, and approved by this Commission by its Decision No.18750, supplemental to Decision No.18217, on Application No.12359.

2- Applicant shall file its written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed fifteen (15) days from date hereof.

3- Applicant shall file, in duplicate, and make effective within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public a tariff or tariffs constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's General Orders and containing rates and rules which, in volume and effect, shall be identical with the rates and rules shown in the exhibit attached to the application insofar as they conform to the certificate herein granted.

4- Applicant shall file, in duplicate, and make effective ~~within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from~~ date hereof, on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, time schedule, according to form provided in General Order No.83, covering the service herein authorized, in a form satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

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

6- No vehicle may be operated by applicant herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by it under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23rd day of May, 1932.

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COMMISSIONERS.