Decision No. 25353.

BEFORE THE RAILPOAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of MT. LASSEN TRANSIT COMPANY for authority to discontinue operation of an automobile service as a common carrier between Westwood and Keddie, California.

Supplemental Application No. 18085.

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION and ORDER



Mt. Lassen Transit Company makes application for permission to suspend service as a common carrier for the transportation of persons and property between Westwood, California and Keddie, California until June 1, 1933. The operation proposed to be suspended is a part of its general operation between Westwood and Red Eluff and Westwood and Susanville and other points as authorized by Decision No. 24922 on the instant application, dated June 27, 1932.

Applicant alleges that the operation of this line in September and October has entailed an operating loss of \$1000.31 and that the total number of passengers hauled in the two months Exhibit "A" attached to the application discloses was only 139. that the total revenue received for service between Westwood and Keddie approximated \$123.35 while the cost of service amounted to \$1223.66. It is further alleged that effective November 12,1932 the Western Pacific Railroad Company will alter its train times of arrival at Keddie so that one train will arrive at 1 AM and the other at 6.29 AM, and that no schedule can be maintained between Westwood and Keddie serving both trains without increasing the losses already sustained. It will require two schedules instead of one to make the train connections and applicant believes that such schedules at thehours necessary to meet the trains would be of no convenience between intermediate points. In addition, it is urged that during the winter season the operation, particularly between Westwood and Greenville, must be suspended for long periods

because of adverse road and weather conditions and that further loss would be entailed in operating at the uncertain periods when storm conditions were relieved.

This is a matter in which we believe a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Mt. Lassen Transit Company, a corporation, be and it is hereby authorized to suspend all service between Westwood and Keddie until June 1, 1933 provided, however, that applicant shall post notice of such suspension at its terminals five days prior to the date of suspension and provided further, that applicant shall file proper schedules and tariffs withdrawing its rates for the period of suspension within fifteen (15) days from date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this /# day of nonember 1932.