Decision No. 25516

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of R.W. Rogers to sell, and W.E. Hibbitt to purchase, an automobile freight line operated between Sacremento and Vallejo, California.

Application No. 18602

BY THE COMMISSION:

hereof.

## OPINION and ORDER

R.W. Rogers, operating under the fictitious name
Sacremento Motor Transport, has petitioned the Railroad Commission
for an order approving the sale and transfer by him to W.E. Hibbitt
of an operating right for an automotive service for the transportation
of property between Vallejo and Sacremento and intermediate points,
except Davis and points between Davis and Sacremento and W.E. Hibbitt
has petitioned 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, a copy of which, marked
Exhibit "A", is attached to the application herein and made a part

The consideration to be paid for the property herein proposed to be transferred is given as \$2500.00. Of this sum \$1575.00 is declared to be the value of equipment and \$925.00 is declared to be the value of intengibles.

The operating right herein proposed to be transferred was created by Decision No. 15839, dated January 13, 1926, on Application No. 12387.

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.

W.E. Hibbitt is hereby placed upon notice that "operative rights" do not constitute a class of property which should be capitalized or used as an element of value in determining reasonable rates. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, they extend to

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the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business over a particular route. This monopoly feature may be changed or destroyed at any time by the state which is not in any respect limited to the number of rights which may be given.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled application be, and the same is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. 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 R.W. Rogers shall immediately unite with applicant W.E. Hibbitt in common supplement to the tariffs on file with the Commission covering service given under certificate herein authorized to be transferred, applicant Rogers on the one hand withdrawing, and applicant Hibbitt on the other hand accepting and establishing such tariffs and all effective supplements thereto.
- 3. Applicant Rogers shall immediately withdraw time schedules filed in his name with the Railroad Commisson and applicant Hibbitt shall immediately file, in duplicate, in his own name time schedules covering service heretofore given by applicant Rogers, which time schedules shall be identical with the time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission in the name of applicant Rogers 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 Hibbitt 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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2/2 day of

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