Decision No. //224.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of PICKWICK STAGES, INC., a corporation, for the extension of its San Diego-Julian line from Santa Ysabel to Warner's Hot Springs and intermediate points, and for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the operation of the same.

Application No. 8267.

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K. F. Beyerle for Murrieta Mineral Hot Springs Stage Line.

A. F. Hubbard for Escondido-Palomar Auto Line.

BY THE COMMISSION.

OPINION

A public hearing was held by Examiner Westover at San Diego on the above entitled application seeking authority to operate passenger stage line between Santa Ysabel and Warner's Hot Springs, and also to similarly operate to and from Warner's Dam Site; such operation to be in connection with and as an extension of its present line between San Diego and Julian.

It appears from the testimonythat there are usually from 40 to 50 guests at Warner's Hot Springs the year around, from one-third to one-half of whom travel between San Diego and the Springs by stage, and that the proposed route is the most direct, the road being paved for 38 of the 68 miles, and being safer, easier grades, easier to travel over, and about six

miles shorter than the other route which is via Escondido. Between September 23 and November 3, 1922. applicant carried 55 passengers to the Springs and 33 passengers from the Springs, and 131 passengers to and from Warner's Dam which is off the highway about four miles from Moretti toward Temecula; this by temporary authority.

At the dam, which is now under construction, there are about 425 men employed, but the force is to be reduced to half in the latter part of January and much further reduced about a month later with a small force continuing to April or May when it is contemplated the work will be completed. At the present time the total travel of laborers to and from the dam amounts to about 12 men a day in both directions, a large part of which, however, is between Los Angeles and the dam via Temecula, as well as travel between the dam and Escondido by authorized stage lines. It is planned to build a large resort on the lake formed by the dam with the result that there will probably be considerable travel after the dam is completed.

There is also a marble quarry in the vicinity now employing from 12 to 14 men. The new owners of the property however, it is reported, plan to increase the force to about 40 or more.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held on the above entitled application, the matter being submitted and now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public necessity and convenience require the operation by Pickwick Stages.

Inc., a corporation, of a passenger stage service between San Diego and Warner's Hot Springs and between San Diego and Warner's Dam Site, both operated via Santa Ysabel and Moretti in connection

with and as an extension of and a part of its present passenger stage service between San Diego and Julian.

The authority herein contained is granted upon the following conditions:

- l. The operative rights and privileges hereby established may not be transferred, leased, sold nor assigned, nor the said service abandoned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission thereto has first been procured.
- 2. No vehicle may be operated in said service unless said vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by said applicant under a contract or agreement satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.
- 3. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants shall, within fifteen days from the date hereof, file with the Railroad Commission schedules and tariffs covering said proposed service, which shall be in addition to proposed schedules and tariffs accompanying the application; shall show each point proposed to be served and quote rates to and from each such point; and shall set forth the date upon which the operation of the line hereby authorized will commence, which date shall be within thirty days from date hereof, unless time to begin operation is extended by formal supplemental order herein.
- 4. The authority herein contained shall not become effective until and unless the above mentioned schedules and tariffs are filed within the time herein limited.

Dated at Jan Francisco, California, this 13 day of November, 1922.

Commissioners.