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DECISION NO.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of MIKE GIMINIANI and BILL GIMINIANI for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a stage or truck service between Bakersfield and Buttonwillow, Kern County, California.

APPLICATION NO. 3225.

Rowan Irwin for applicants.
C. C. Haworth for Haworth and Kirby.

BY THE COMMISSION.

OPINION

Petitioners ask the Railroad Commission to make its order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Petitioners of an automobile stage service between Bakersfield and Buttonwillow, Kern County.

A public hearing herein was held before Examiner Westover at Bakersfield on October 15, 1917.

Petitioners have been operating an automobile stage line between Bekersfield and Buttonwillow for approximately four years, originally with one car and have for a period of nearly two years operated two cars over the route.

The schedule appearing in the application in this proceeding shows the following:

Leaves Bakersfield	8.00 PM	Arrives Butt	wolllow	9.20 AM
Leaves Bakersfield	3.00 PM	Arrives Butt		4.20 PM
Leaves Bakersfield	10.00 PM	Arrives Butt		11.20 PM
Leaves Buttonwillow	8.30 AM	Arrives Bake	rsfield	9.50 AM
Leaves Buttonwillow	1.00 PM	Arrives Bake		2.20 PM
Leaves Buttonwillow	5.30 PM	Arrives Bake		6.50 PM

Cars have been operated in accordance with the foregoing schedule for the past year and every scheduled trip has been re-

The passenger fares charged by the applicants are in accordance with the following schedule of rates:

Bakersfield	to	Rosedale	-30
Bakersfield	to	Rio Bravo	-75
Bakersfield	to	Burbank	1.00
Bakersfield	to	Buttonwillow	1.25
Buttonwillow	to	Burbank	-25
Buttonwillow	to	Rio Bravo	-50
Buttonwillow	to	Rosedale	-95
Buttonwillow	to	Bakersfield	1.25

The evidence in this proceeding clearly indicates that applicants were engaged in the automobile stage business prior to May 1, 1917, have been actually operating in good faith and observing regular routes and schedule, and as the provisions of Chapter 213 of the Acts of 1917 specifically exempt transportation companies who were operating in good faith prior to May 1, 1917, from the necessity of securing a certificate from this Commission, the application will be dismissed.

ORDER

MIKE GEMINIANI and BILL GIMINIANI, having filed a petition asking that the Railroad Commission make its order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by them of an automobile stage service as a common carrier of passengers between Bakersfield and Buttonwillow, Kern County, a

public hearing having been held, the matter having been submitted and it appearing that applicants have been regularly operating a stage line in good faith between Bakersfield and Buttonwillow for some years prior to May 1, 1917, and that no certificate is required from this Commission under the provisions of Chapter 213 of the Acts of 1917.

IT IS HEREBY OFFICERD, That this application be and the same hereby is dismissed.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>Journal</u> day of October, 1917.

Commissioners.