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Decision No. <u>59/3</u>.

BEFORE THE BAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of W. A. SWANSON for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger and freight service between Three Rivers and Hammond.

Application No. 4163.

BY THE COMMISSION

ORDER

W. A. Swanson has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by him of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Three Rivers and Hammond.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked exhibit "A" and filed with the application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule of one round trip daily, using as equipment one Ford Automobile, Model T, 22 H. P., licensed by State Motor Vehicle Department under License No. 231311.

Applicant holds a United States mail contract over the proposed route and desires the privilege of carrying passengers and freight in connection with the carriage of the mail, there being no other regular transportation service available for the public over the proposed route.

We are of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application

- should be granted.

convenience and necessity require the operation by W. A. Swanson of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Three Rivers and Hammond; provided, however, that this declaration shall not become effective until said W. A. Swanson shall have procured from the Railroad Commission a supplemental order herein declaring that said W. A. Swanson has filed herein a certified copy of a permit issued by the Board of Supervisors of Tulare County in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Chapter 213, Laws of 1917; and provided, further, that the rights and privileges herein granted may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment shall have first been procured.

IT IS HEHRBY ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated under this certificate unless such vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by such applicant under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 140 day of November, 1918.

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Commissioners.