

Decision No. 6614.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of) H. J. HORST for certificate of public) convenience and necessity to operate) passenger, freight and baggage service) between Butte City and Chico.)

Application No. 4405.

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BY THE COMMISSION

ORDER

H. J. Horst 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, freight and baggage between Butte City and Chico and intermediate points.

Applicant proposes to charge fares 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 serving as intermediate the property of the Dodge Rice Company, and using as equipment one Ford car, twenty horse power, four passenger capacity, licensed by State Motor Vehicle Department under License No. 49055; one Endson automobile, seventy-two horse power, eleven passenger capacity, licensed by State Motor Vehicle Department under License No. 213993; also one trailer with carrying capacity one thousand pounds.

There is no regular transportation service between the points herein sought by applicant and, as the territory is one largely devoted to the cultivation of rice, difficulty has been experienced in the securing of transportation for laborers

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and others having business with the ranchers engaged in rice cultivation.

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,

THE RAILHOAD COMMISSION HEREEY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by H. J. Horst of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers, freight and beggage between Butte City and Chico and intermediate points; provided, however, 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 bas first been secured.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated under this permit 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 $\frac{29}{10}$ day of ingust, 1919.

Commissioners.