Decision No. 767%



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of H. M. HUNT for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger, mail and express service between Ojai and Ventura, California.

Application No. 4678.

Earl E. Moss, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION.

ORDER

H.M. HUNT 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, mail and express between Ojai and Ventura and intermediate points.

A public hearing on this application was conducted by Examiner Handford at Los Angeles, the matter was duly submitted and is now ready for decision.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked Exhibit "A" and filed with this application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule of four round trips daily,

serving as intermediates the communities at La Crosse and Forest Park, using as equipment 1-Hudson automobile 7-passenger capacity, State license No. 90211.

The evidence in this proceeding indicates that applicant herein was operating in good faith prior to May 1, 1917, which was the date recognized by the Legislature as that upon which transportation companies operating in good faith were not required to secure a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Railroad Commission nor permits from the governing bodies of all political sub-divisions through which a route passed. The evidence indicates that applicant was operating prior to May 1, 1917, and has continued such operation up to the present time, and in view of such evidence no certificate of public convenience and necessity is required, the filling of tariffs and time schedules with the Railroad Commission in accordance with its regulations being all that is necessary to place the status of applicant herein upon a proper basis in compliance with the Statutory law.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this application be and the same hereby is dismissed, subject to the following condition:-

(1)-Applicant will be required to immediately file with the Railroad Commission time schedules and tariffs covering the operation of the line between Ojai and Ventura.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of

February, 1920.

HAV. Amending