## Decision No. 2089

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of THE WESTERN AUTO STAGE COMPANY, INC., owner of the auto stage route operated between Bakersfield, California, and Taft, California, and intermediate points, to sell and transfer said route, right, title and interests therein to the KERN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

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Application No. 5311.

## and

Application of the KERN COUNTY TRANS-PORTATION COMPANY for an order granting permission to purchase the said interests in the aforementioned stage line, and be pormitted to operate between said points.

BY THE COMMISSION.

## <u>ORDER</u>

THE WESTERN AUTO STAGE COMPANY, INC., a corporation, and KERN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a corporation, have petitioned the Railroad Commission for approval of the sale and transfer of an automobile stage route between Bakersfield and Taft and intermediate points: The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc., desiring to sell and transfer and the Kern County Transportation Company desiring to purchase, acquire and hereafter operate the stage line between Bakersfield and Taft, now operated by applicant, The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc.

The rights and privileges, for which approval of transfer is requested, are those acquired by The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc., a corporation, by reason of operation in good faith prior to May 1, 1917, and continuously since such date: May 1, 1917 being the date recognized by the Legislature in the passage of Chapter 213, Laws of 1917, as that upon which transportation companies, operating in good faith, were not required to secure a certificato of public convenience and necessity from the Reilroad Commission nor permit from the governing bodies of all political sub-divisions through which a route passed.

The transfer of the rights and privilegos, for which approval is herein requested, is to be made in accordance with the conditions of a Bill of Sale, a copy of which is attached to the application in this proceeding and marked Exhibit "A".

Wo are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this application be, and the same horeby is, granted, subject to the following conditions:-

(1)-Applicant, The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc., will be required to immediately cancel all tariffs and time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission, such cancellation to be in accordance with the requirements of Ceneral Order No. 51, and other regulations of the Railroad Commission.

(2)-Applicant, Kern County Transportation Company, will be required to file in its own name or to adopt as its own, the tariffs and time schedules heretofore filed with the Railroad Commission by The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc., all rates to be in accordance with those heretofore filed with the Railroad Commission by applicant, The Western Auto Stage Company, Inc.

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(3)-The rights and privileges, transfer of which are hereby authorized, may not again be transferred nor azsigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment has first been secured.

(4)-No vehicle may be operated under this authority of transfer by applicant, Kern County Transportation Company, unless such vehicle is owned by such applicant, or is leased by it under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>5</u>day of February, 1920.

Commissioners.