Decision No. 7091

In the Matter of the Application of KINGS RIVER STAGE AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate

an automobile stage line for the transportation of passengers between the City of Fresno and the City of

Sanger, in Fresno County.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application No. 4549.

BY THE COMMISSION.

ORDER

N. W. BACON, operating under the fictitious name of Kings River Stage & Transportation Company, 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 between Fresno and Sanger.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked Exhibit "B" and filed with the application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule of 1-round trip daily, except Sundays, making direct connection at Sanger with the stage line of the applicant now authorized and operating during the summer months between Sanger and General Grant Park, using as equipment 2-Packard Twin Six automobiles, each of 7-passenger capacity.

Applicant herein now operates a stage line between Sanger, General Grant Park and Hume during the season between June 1 and October 1 of each year. In the conduct of such business it was found that through passengers frequently had difficulty in obtaining

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seats in the stages now operated between Fresno and Sanger.

It is the intention of applicant to establish a through service for passengers from Fresno to General Grant Park and Hume. A local service is now furnished between Fresno and Sanger by Allen & Reese, operating under the fictitious name of Fresno-Sanger Auto Stage Line, and said Allen and Reese have filed with the Railroad Commission a waiver of protest against the granting of application herein, provided that local passengers be not carried by applicant between Fresno and Sanger.

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, subject to the condition that local business be not handled between Fresno and Sanger.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by M. W. Bacon, operating under the fictitious name of Kings River Stage & Transportation Company, of an automobilo stage line as a common carrier of passengers between Frosno and Sangor, provided, however, that no local passengers shall be carried between Fresno and Sanger, it being the intention of this declaration to establish a through service from Fresno to General Grant Park and Hume, over the route as herein applied for in connection with the authorized route now held by applicant between Sanger, General Grant Park and Hume; and provided further, that the rights and privileges hereby granted may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment has first been secured.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated under this certificate unless such vehicle is owned by the applicant

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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 <u>5</u> day of February, 1920.

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Commissioners.