Decision No. 7226

Application No. 3996

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of the Application of DUBOURDIEU AND HUNT for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger and freight service between SIRRRA CITY and DOWNIEVILLE.

BY THE COMMISSION.

## <u>order</u>

Dubourdiew and Hunt, partners in business, have petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by them of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Sierra City and Downieville.

Applicants propose 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, except Sunday, using as equipment one Reo five passenger thirty-five horse power automobile and one Reo one C.M.C. truck of a truck capacity six passenger forty-five horse power automobile./and one G.M.C. truck of one ton capacity and wagon stages and sleighs during the winter months.

Applicants are the possessors of a United States mail contract and operative rights to carry passengers and

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freight between Chilcott and Sierra City and intermediate points, acquired by reason of their operation of the stage line prior to May 1, 1917 and continuously since such date, May 1, 1917 being the date recognized in the passage of Chapter 213, Statutes of 1917, as that upon which operators 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 the various sub-divisions through which the routes pass.

Applicants have acquired the United States mail contract between Sierra City and Downieville, which is an extension of their present route and desire the privilege of handling passengers and freight over the route which they are required to serve in connection with their mail contract.

The Commission being fully advised and of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Dubourdieu and Hunt, partners in business, of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Sierra City and Downieville: provided however, 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.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated under this certificate unless such vehicle is owned by the applicants herein or is leased by such applicants under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the RAILROAD COMMISSION.

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

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