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Decision No. 7487

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the application of E. H. SPREHN for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate local freight service and general hauling service between Los Angeles, Los Alamitos, Seal Beach, Huntington Beach and Anaheim Landing.

) Application No. 5187.  
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W. C. Snyder for applicant.  
Frank Karr by C. F. Squires for Pacific Electric Railway Company.  
B. J. Cross for Southern Pacific Company.  
M. Thompson for American Railway Express Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

E. H. Sprehn applies for authority to operate under the fictitious name of The Seal Beach Auto Dispatch a one and one-half ton Ford truck with one ton trailer as a common carrier of freight between Los Angeles and Huntington Beach, serving as intermediate points Los Alamitos, Seal Beach and Anaheim Landing on schedule providing for three round trips a week.

A public hearing on the application was held by Examiner Westover at Los Angeles.

The present carriers serving the territory in question are the Southern Pacific Company, serving Los Alamitos, Huntington Beach and Los Angeles and the Pacific Electric Railway Company serving Los Angeles, Seal Beach, Anaheim Landing and Huntington Beach; and American Railway Express serving Los Angeles and Huntington Beach with a free pick-up and delivery service. No truck line at present serves the territory in question.

Complaint is made of the delay in receiving shipments from Los Angeles and of considerable breakage and resulting damage claims. Applicant showed that merchants requiring shipments of merchandise from Los Angeles can conveniently order goods in the afternoon from Los Angeles and have them delivered by the proposed truck line to their store doors during the following morning.

Applicant's proposed route will serve considerable intermediate territory not served by either of the present carriers.

Applicant also expects to handle eggs, vegetables and perishable supplies for ranchers along the road proposed to be traveled.

#### O R D E R.

A public hearing having been held upon the above entitled application, the matter having been submitted and being now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that

public convenience and necessity require the operation by E. H. Sprehn, under the fictitious name of The Seal Beach Auto Dispatch, of an automobile truck as a common carrier of freight between <sup>Los Angeles,</sup> Los Alamitos, Seal Beach, Huntington Beach and Anaheim Landing.

PROVIDED 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 procured.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated in said service unless said vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by said applicant under a contract or agreement satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the applicant, E.H. Sprehn, shall within 20 days from the date hereof file with the Railroad Commission his schedule and tariffs covering said proposed service, which shall be in addition to proposed schedule and tariff accompanying the application, and shall set forth the date upon which the operation of the line hereby authorized will commence, which date shall be within 90 days from date hereof, unless time to begin operation is extended by formal supplemental order.

The authority herein contained shall not become effective until and unless the above condition is complied with.

26<sup>th</sup> Dated at San Francisco, California, this day of April, 1920.

*H. D. Lyndall*  
*Stanley Berlin*  
*H. K. Brundage*

Commissioners.