

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application)
of O. E. Higdon for certificate)
of public convenience and necess-)
ity to operate automobile truck)
line for the transportation of)
freight and express between Riverdale)
and Lanare, California.)

APPLICATION NO. 5222.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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O. E. Higdon has petitioned the Railroad Commission for authority to operate an automobile truck line for the transportation of freight and express between Riverdale and Lanare, Fresno County, California.

The town of Lanare is on a branch line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, and Riverdale is on the west side of the San Joaquin division of the Southern Pacific Company; there is no direct service between the two points either by railroad or stage line. In order to handle matter from Lanare to Riverdale by rail it is necessary to first carry it to Laton and transfer thence to Fresno in order to connect with the Southern Pacific, a circuitous route and an impracticable one. There is considerable business to be moved between these two points, both of which are located in a rich dairy country and, inasmuch as the Southern Pacific Company, the Santa Fe Railway and the American Railway Express Company have advised, in writing, that they have no objection to the granting of this application, the same will be granted. We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing

