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Decision No. 7607.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application of  
C. E. MEANS for certificate of public  
convenience and necessity to operate  
freight and passenger service between  
San Diego and Warner Springs, Montezuma,  
Oak Grove and way points.

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} Application No. 5240.

C. E. Means in propria persona.

A. L. Hayes for Pickwick Stages,  
Protestant.

V. F. Bennett and F. B. Dorsey  
for San Diego and Arizona  
Railroad, Protestant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

C. E. Means 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 freight and passengers between San Diego, and Warner Springs, Montezuma, Oak Grove and way points.

A public hearing on this application was conducted by Examiner Handford at San Diego on May 12, 1920, at which time the matter was duly submitted for decision.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked exhibit "A" and filed with the application in this proceeding and to operate two or three trips each week as necessity may demand, operation to be conducted over the main highway from San Diego via East San Diego, La Mesa and El

Cajon thence to the Warner Springs, Montezuma, Oak Grove and other way points; using as equipment one Ford truck, one ton capacity with accommodation for one or two passengers on the driver's seat and such other conveyance as the demands of traffic may warrant. Applicant is the proprietor of a general merchandise store at Warner's Hot Springs and, in connection with his business, has occasion to make trips to San Diego and desires the privilege of handling freight between San Diego and other points specified in the application and also to care for the limited passenger business offering to such points in connection with his trips for the purpose of transporting freight. At the hearing on this application applicant stipulated that he did not desire authority to carry either freight or passengers over any portion of the route between San Diego and Santa Ysabel and such stipulation eliminated the protest of the Pickwick Stages and the San Diego and Arizona Railroad.

It appears that in addition to the business of the applicant in the transportation of merchandise to his store at Warner's Springs that there is some other merchandise to be moved to Warner's Springs and other mountain resorts in the vicinity and the back haul during certain seasons of wood, honey, grain and fruit which are marketed in San Diego and for which there is at present no regular method of transportation.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by C. E. Means of an automobile truck line as a common carrier of freight and passengers between San Diego, Warner's Springs, Montezuma, Oak Grove and other mountain points; provided, however, that this declaration conveys no authority for the transportation

of freight or passengers over the portion of the route between Santa Ysabel and San Diego; 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 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1920.

Edwin O. Edgerton

H. B. ...

Dwight Mathis

Commissioners.