Decision No. <u>7837</u>



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application) of Abraham Epstein and John W.) Dickerson for certificate of) public convenience and necessity) to operate automobile service) between Hemet and Brawley, Cal.)

APPLICATION NO. 5859.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Abraham Epstein and John W. Dickerson have made application petitioning the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate automotive passenger and baggage service between Hemet, Riverside County,Cal. and Brawley, Imperial County,Cal. and intermediate points. The proposed fares and charges to be assessed and the rules and regulations governing such are set forth in Exhibit A of the application. The time schedule under which applicant proposes to operate is shown in Exhibit B attached to the application.

There are no stage or truck lines, steam or electric railroads operating directly between the points to be served. The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company operates a branch line into Hemet and the Southern Pacific Company operates a branch line through Brawley, but passengers desiring to travel by rail to these objective points must travel via Colton and change cars, thereby making the route a circuitous one, whereas the applicants intend to

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establish a direct service from Hemet to Brawley through Aguanga, Oak Grove, Warner's Hot Springs and Verruga, a much shorter, and consequently a much more expeditious route.

Inasmuch as the traveling public has no other means of conveyance except private vehicles, it is established that public convenience and necessity would be served by the creation of this service.

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

IT IS EXREPT ORDERED that public convenience and necessity require Abraham Epstein and John W. Dickerson to establish an automotive passenger and baggage service between Hemet and Brawley, Cal. and intermediate points and that a certificate of public convenience and necessity should be granted, and the same is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:

lst- That the applicants. Abraham Epstein and John W. Dickerson, will file with the Railroad Commission a written acceptance of this certificate within twenty (20) days from the date of service hereof and that operation of such service will commence within ninety (90) days from the date of service hereof.

2nd- That the applicants. Abraham Epstein and John W. Dickerson, will be required to immediately file a tariff of rates, rules and regulations and a time schedule, in duplicate, in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 51 and other regulations of the Railroad Commission.

3rd- That the rights and privileges hereby authorized may not be sold, leased, discontinued, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Commission to such sale, lease, discontinuance, transfer or assignment has first been secured.

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4th- That no vehicle may be operated by the applicants, Abraham Epstein and John V. Dickerson, unless such vehicle is owned by them or is leased by them under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>9</u> day of July, 1920.

Commissioners.

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