

Decision No. 2916

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
Flintridge Motor Company, a corpor-  
ation, for an order granting authority  
to increase its passenger fares between  
Pasadena, LaCanada, Flintridge and  
intermediate points. )  
 ) APPLICATION NO. 5839  
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William R. Flint, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION -

O P I N I O N

Flintridge Motor Company, a corporation, having made formal application to the Railroad Commission to increase its passenger fares between Pasadena, LaCanada, Flintridge and intermediate points.

A hearing was held before Examiner Satterwhite at 2 P.M., Wednesday, July 14, 1920, and the matter is now ready for opinion and order.

The applicant is a corporation operating motor buses between Pasadena and Flintridge. The line was established to accommodate residents in a new settlement known as Flintridge and LaCanada and the city of Pasadena.

The rates and fares charged have been 10 cents per person for a distance of approximately six miles. The Secretary of the corporation testified that no salaries were paid to any supervising officials; that no depreciation had been charged off on their equipment and that no dividends had ever been paid to the stockholders of the corporation but on the contrary that the business has suffered a great loss and would continue to suffer such loss unless it be permitted to increase its fares. He further testified that it was not the desire

of the applicant to operate at a profit but it did desire to conduct its business without profit or loss. It was also shown that there was no way of transportation between Flintridge, LaCanada and Pasadena other than motor buses operated by applicant and that if the service rendered by it should be discontinued, it would work a great hardship on school children attending at Pasadena and other patrons of this line. Testimony also showed that gasoline, oil, tires and the wages of employees had all increased.

The evidence clearly showed that the company will require the increase requested in this application to break even and it is our opinion that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

It is hereby ordered that the Flintridge Motor Company, a corporation, be, and the same is hereby, authorized to increase its fares for the transportation of passengers between Pasadena, LaCanada and Flintridge from 10 cents to 15 cents per passenger each way, such fares to become effective within ten days after filing with the Railroad Commission and legal notice to the public.

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

Edwin O. Egan  
John L. ...  
Frank ...  
Dwight ...  
COMMISSIONERS.