

Decision No. 8147

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application)
of Harry M. Hunt for Certificate)
of Public Convenience and Necess-)
ity to operate passenger and ex-)
press service between Ventura,)
Santa Paula and Ojai, California,)
and intermediate points.)

APPLICATION No. 5722.

BRUNDIGE, COMMISSIONER:

O P I N I O N

Harry M. Hunt having made application to the Railroad Commission petitioning for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate automotive passenger and express service between Ventura, Santa Paula and Ojai and intermediate points, a hearing having been held, it is now ready for decision.

The applicant now operates a stage line between Ventura and Ojai. There is no stage service between Ojai and Santa Paula. The Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, and the United Stages, now operate between Santa Paula and Ventura, the third side of the triangle. There was abundant evidence as to the convenience and necessity for the service between Ojai and Santa Paula, there being many laborers in the Oil Fields at Ojai who desire transportation to Santa Paula and Ventura. There is also a demand for improvement of the service between Santa Paula and Ventura. It was requested at the hearing that the application be amended to include Saticoy in the route between Santa Paula and Ventura, and this will be done.

The Commission is of the opinion that public convenience and necessity will be served by the establishment of this line and that this application should be granted.

C R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that public convenience and necessity require Harry M. Hunt to establish automotive passenger and express service between Ventura and Santa Paula and between Santa Paula and Ojai and intermediate points, subject to the following conditions:

1st- That the applicant, Harry M. Hunt, will, within thirty (30) days from the date of this order, commence the service authorized herein, and failing to do so the operative rights herein granted will be automatically revoked, unless the time within which service is to commence is extended by this Commission.

2nd- That the applicant, Harry M. Hunt, 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 leased, sold, discontinued, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such lease, sale, discontinuance, transfer or assignment has first been secured.

4th- That no vehicle may be operated by the applicant, Harry M. Hunt, unless such vehicle is owned by him or is leased by him for a specified amount on a trip or term basis, the leasing

of equipment not to include the services of a driver or operator. All employment of drivers or operators of leased cars shall be made on the basis of a contract by which the driver or operator shall bear the relation of an employe to the transportation company by whom such driver or operator is engaged.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of September, 1920.

Edwin C. Edgerton
H. H. Loveland
John R. Allen
H. B. Boudge
George Martin
Commissioners.