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Decision No. 8181

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application)	
of the Pickwick Stages, Northern	:	
Division, a corporation, for a)	Application No. 4468
certificate of public convenience	:	
and necessity to operate a stage)	
line, as a common carrier of pas-	:	
sengers and express packages bet-)	
ween Buell's Flats and Lompoc and	:	
intermediate points.)	

N. C. Folsom for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION.

ORDER

Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, a corporation, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by it of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and express packages between Buell's Flats and Lompoc and intermediate points.

A public hearing on this application was conducted by Examiner Satterwhite on May 10th, 1920, at Santa Barbara, at which time and place the matter was duly submitted and is now ready for decision.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked Exhibit "A" filed with the supplementary and amended application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule

of four round trips daily using as equipment certain Pierce-Arrow touring cars described in Exhibit "C" attached to said amended application.

No one appeared at the hearing to protest the granting of this application.

Witnesses for applicant testified to the public necessity of this proposed service and showed that the population to be served consists of from 3000 to 4000 people. It was shown that the service of the Southern Pacific Company is unsatisfactory for the reason that trains do not operate at convenient hours. It was also shown that applicant is now operating a through service of four trips a day north bound and four trips a day south bound through Buell's Flats on the State Highway and this service will afford Lompoc and surrounding territory adequate facilities to and from all coast points.

After a careful consideration of the evidence, we are of the opinion that the application should be granted.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Pickwick Stages, Northern Division, a corporation, of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and express packages between Buell's Flats and Lompoc and intermediate points.

provided, however, that the rights and privileges hereby granted may not be sold, transferred, leased nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such sale, transfer, lease or assignment has first been secured.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that an acceptance of this certificate shall be filed with the Railroad Commission within ten days from the date of service of this order; such acceptance to specify

the date upon which operation over the route herein authorized shall commence, such date of commencement of operation to be within thirty days from the date of service of this order, and unless such acceptance is filed and commencement of operation as specified therein is made, this order to stand void without further order of the Railroad Commission.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER 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 ^{12th} ~~20th~~ day of
~~September~~, 1920.

October
September,

Edwin C. Edgerton
H. D. Lovelace
Frank R. Owen
H. H. Bundege

Commissioners.