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Decision No. 8317

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application)
of Charles R. Holbrook for an or-)
der granting permission to increase) APPLICATION NO. 6202
certain fares between Huntington)
Park, Bell and Cudahy.)

BY THE COMMISSION -

O P I N I O N

Charles R. Holbrook seeks authority to increase fares for the transportation of passengers by auto stage between Huntington Park, Bell and Cudahy.

The route traversed by applicant covers approximately five (5) miles through a thickly settled district and the fare of one cent (1¢) per mile or five cents (5¢) per trip now charged in the early hours of the day is claimed to be unremunerative and that a ten cents (10¢) fare or two cents (2¢) per mile for the entire period of operation would be more reasonable and would result in a fair return upon investment.

As justification for the increase in fares, applicant submits statement of revenue and expenses for the year ending July 1920 which shows a gross revenue of \$7,425.16 and expenditures including depreciation and interest on investment of \$8,618.04, resulting in a deficit for eleven months of \$1,197.93. A profit of \$15.05 is shown for the month of August 1919. By applying total revenue received against operating expenses, less depreciation and interest on investment, the same would leave a deficit of \$127.12.

Statement also shows that applicant has been allowed in the operating expenses only \$100.00 per month, which is claimed to be inadequate. It is estimated the increase proposed will result in an increase of revenue of approximately \$250.00 per month, which will be sufficient to take care of depreciation and interest on investment of \$4,130.00, together with allowance of \$200.00 per month as salary for owner who acts as driver of the auto stage.

In further support of the reasonableness and justification for the granting of increase is a petition accompanying this application signed by one hundred and twenty two persons, representing 75% of the regular daily patrons of this line.

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

O R D E R

Charles R. Holbrook having applied for authority to establish fares hereinafter set forth for the transportation of passengers by automobile between Huntington Park, Bell and Cudahy.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said Charles R. Holbrook be and he is hereby authorized to file tariff effective five (5) days from date of issue, establishing the following fares:

Between Huntington Park and Bell and Cudahy - 10 cents at all hours, and between Bell and Cudahy a 10 cents fare at all hours.

Above fares to be one way fares only. There are no changes to be made as regards rules and regulations.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of November, 1920.

Edw. O. Edgerton
Frank R. Johnson
John B. Hendricks
COMMISSIONERS.