Decision No. 8418



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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of the application of : JOSEPH MILLER for authority to change : Application No. 6331 route of Lemoore-Coalings Stage Line. :

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

This is an application of Joseph Miller petitioning the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public congenience and necessity require the operation by him of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers between Visalia and Coalinga via Henrietta.

Applicant is at present operating between Visalia and Coalinga through the following towns: starting at Visalia. thence to Plaza Garage, Hanford, Lemoore, Stratford, Huron and thence into Coalinga. The object of this application is to make a detour oy leaving present route at or near Lemoore, thence by proposed new County Highway through Henrietta, thence on to Coalinga over present route.

The Boston Construction Company are employing a large number of laborers in the construction of the new highway and a request has been made that applicant change route

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so as to enable these workmen to use this service to and from their work. It is not the intention of applicant to discontinue service to Stratford. A local service will be established between Stratford and Lemoore, connecting with Lemoore-Coalinga stage which will operate over new route through Henrietta and there is to be no change in fares as filed by applicant.

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

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED that public convenience and necessity require Joseph Miller to establish automobile passenger service between Lemoore and Coalinga via Menrietta over new County Highway and that certificate of public convenience and necessity should be, and the same is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the applicant Joseph Miller, will be required to maintain such service between Stratford and Lemoore as will meet the demands of the traveling public.

2. That applicant Joseph Miller shall, within ten days from the date of service of this order, file with the Railroad Commission a written acceptance of the certificate herein conveyed, such acceptance to state the date upon which the operation herein authorized will be commenced, such date to be not less than thirty days from the date of the acceptance herein specified.

5. That the rights and privileges herein granted may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has

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first been secured.

4. That no vehicle may be operated by applicant Joseph Miller 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 service 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 employee to the transportation company. 44

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Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>Fin</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1920.

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Commissioners.