Decision No. <u>9147</u>



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of Red Star Stage Linc for an increase in passenger fares between) San Francisco, Half Moon Bay and) Pescadero, and intermediate points.)

Application No. 6399

Fred C. Peterson, for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION.

OPINION

This is an application of Neil Forrest, operating under the fictitious name of the Red Star Stage Line, conducting automotive passenger transportation between San Francisco and Pescadero, via Half Moon Bay and intermediate points, to increase passenger fares to approximate $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per mile.

Hearing was held before Examiner Westover on March 21, 1921, and an adjourned hearing on April 11, 1921, and the matter is now ready for decision.

Applicant uses one Oldsmobile, one Jeffery and four Cadillac cars, total value of \$8,159.00, shop and office equipment \$800.00, making an investment in property used and useful in passenger service to the public of approximately \$9,000.00. Figures presented at the hearing showing revenue and expenditures, October 1920 to March, 1921 inclusive, indicate that the applicant operated at a loss of \$3,470.19. These figures, however, were presented in a haphazard manner, without careful segregation. We have had the Commission's auditors recheck the figures and audit applicant's 221

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accounts, and find that in the six months mentioned above operating revenue was \$13,473.53 and operating expenses \$15,560.04, showing a deficit of \$2,086.54, actual outof-pocket loss. It is therefore self-evident that the applicant requires increased rates in order to exist. An order will be issued prescribing rates and fares to be charged.

ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the applicant, Neil Forrest, operating under the fictitious name of the Red Star Stage Line, be and he is hereby authorized to publish passenger fares between San Francisco and Pescadero and intermediate points, based on not to exceed three and one half cents $(3\frac{1}{2}\phi)$ per mile, fares to end in the nearest unit of 5 cents.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above rates may be published on one day's notice to the public, and filed with the Commission in accordance with its tariff rules and regulations.

The above opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed and the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, Californis, this <u>24</u> day of June, 1921.

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