

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
H. E. WILKINSON for certificate of
public convenience and necessity to
operate milk and egg and freight
service between Los Angeles and
Saugus.

} Application No. 6931.
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A. D. Laughlin for Applicant.

N. Thompson for American Railway Express
Company.

B. J. Cross for Southern Pacific Company.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

H. E. Wilkinson applies for authority to operate a milk and freight service between Los Angeles and Saugus.

A public hearing on the application was held by Examiner Westover at Los Angeles. During the hearing, the application was amended to provide for transportation of milk and eggs to Los Angeles and to limit the freight outbound to poultry and dairy supplies destined for the patrons to be served.

Applicant proposes to operate a Chevrolet truck daily, leaving Saugus at 8:30 A.M., Newhall at 8:45 A.M., and reaching Los Angeles at 10:15 A.M., serving dairy and poultry ranches in the vicinity of Saugus and Newhall and along the route, to a point one-half mile west of San Fernando, no business being transacted between the latter point and Los Angeles. The only present means of public transportation, other than Southern Pacific freight trains, is that offered by the American Railway Express Company, operating upon Southern Pacific passenger trains, leaving Saugus at 10:00 A.M.

and 5:20 P.M., but providing no pick-up or delivery service at the ranches. The haul between stations and the ranches varies from one to six miles. Shippers testified to the need of the service to get their milk to the creameries at more suitable hours than can be done by rail shipments; and that the proposed rates, while higher than the station to station rates of the express company, are much lower than the express rates, considering the cost of the haul between their ranches and the stations.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held upon the above entitled application, the matter being submitted and ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by E. E. Wilkinson of an automobile truck service for the common carriage of milk, eggs, dairy and poultry supplies only, between a territory comprising Saugus, Newhall and dairy and poultry ranches in the vicinity thereof on the one hand, and one-half mile or more northwesterly from San Fernando.

The operative rights and privileges hereby established may not be transferred, leased, sold nor assigned, nor the said service abandoned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission thereto has first been procured.

No vehicle may be operated in said service unless said vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by said applicant under a contract or agreement satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicant shall, within twenty days from the date hereof, file with the Railroad Commission his schedules and tariffs covering said proposed service, which shall

be in addition to proposed schedule and tariff accompanying the application, and shall set forth the date upon which the operation of the line hereby authorized will commence, which date shall be within ninety days from date hereof, unless time to begin operation is extended by formal supplemental order.

The authority herein contained shall not become effective until and unless the above mentioned schedules and tariffs are filed within the time herein limited.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of July, 1921.

H. B. Randall

H. D. Lovland

Dwight Maitre

Commissioners.