

Decision No. 9884

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the application of GLENDALE RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor truck express and baggage service between Glendale, California, and Los Angeles, California.

Application No. 7202.

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H.N. Blair, by W.C. Snyder, for Applicant.
M. Thompson, for American Railway Express Company,
Protestant
Robert V. Hardy, for Tropico Transfer Co., Protestant
W.R. Millar, for Pacific Electric Railway, Protestant
A.J. Richardson, for Richardson Transportation Company,
Protestant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Glendale Rapid Transit Company has applied to the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor truck express and baggage service between Glendale and Los Angeles.

A public hearing was held by Examiner Williams at Los Angeles.

The testimony in support of applicant was largely in the nature of complaint against existing rail and auto carriers, and was more convincing that they should bring their service to the efficiency required by the growing communities served, than that additional service is required. Had the witnesses for applicant made complaint to the Commission of the inadequacy of service by existing carriers,

it could have been speedily remedied. As it is, protestants herein should heed a new demand on the part of growing mercantile interests in Glendale for more rapid service. It is not apparent from the testimony that another carrier is required at this time, and hence the application should be denied with the injunction to other carriers that, if the public need is not met with more efficiency, future applicants will be received by the Commission with more encouragement.

In this case carriers, particularly the auto carriers, must understand that the duty imposed on them requires that they conform their service to the reasonable needs of the shipping public. Especially should those transporting trunks and baggage to and from transient and touring hotels provide call and delivery that cause no unnecessary delay to guests. The short haul and the volume of business between Glendale and Los Angeles require expeditious service and it is the duty of carriers now authorized to provide it.

ORDER

Glendale Rapid Transit Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor truck express and baggage service between Glendale and Los Angeles, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been duly submitted, and being now ready for decision

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA that public convenience and necessity do not require the establishment of the operation as applied for, and that application herein be and the same is hereby

denied, without prejudice.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th
day of December, 1921.

H. B. Brundage
H. S. Loveland

Charles H. Brown
W. H. Pennington
Commissioners.