Decision No. 28552

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of LOS ANGELES STEAMSHIP COMPANY for permission to temporarily discontinue service.

Application No. 20152

BY THE COLMISSION:

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL OFINION AND ORDER

Upon a representation that the traffic offered applicant under the then existing operating conditions was insufficient to justify the maintenance of service, the Commission by Decision No. 28244 of September 23, 1935 in the above entitled proceeding authorized Los Angeles Steamship Company to suspend its freight and passenger service during the period extending from October 1, 1935 to April 30, 1936. By supplemental applications filed March 18, 1936, applicant represents that no relief from the conditions existing at the time Decision No.28244 was rendered has been secured. It believes that there will be a demand sufficient to make passenger service profitable on and after May 15, 1936, but not until then, and that under conditions now prevailing, particularly the cost of handling cargo and the limited carrying capacity of its vessel, it will not be able to carry cargo (other than passenger automobiles accompanying passengers and baggage) until May 1, 1937. Accordingly it requests that the authority to suspend service, insofar as it involves the transportation of passengers, baggage and passenger automobiles accompanied by passengers, be extended until May 15, 1936, and insofar as it involves the transportation of freight (other than passenger automobiles accompanied by passengers and baggage)until May 1, 1937.

The territory involved will continue to be served by other carriers. These carriers have been informed of applicant's proposals and have offered no objections.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted; therefore,

IT IS HEFEBY ORDERED that Los Angeles Steamship Company be and it is hereby authorized to suspend its freight and passenger service until May 15, 1936 and to further suspend its freight service (other than the carrying of passenger automobiles accompanied by passenger and baggage) until May 1, 1937.

Applicant shall immediately supplement its tariffs on file with the Commission in accordance with the order herein granted.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23d day of

march 1936.

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Commissioners.