

Decision No. 21654

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of THE
RIVER LINES (The California Transporta-
tion Company, a corporation, and SACRA-
MENTO & SAN JOAQUIN RIVER LINES, INC.,
a corporation), for leave temporarily to
suspend passenger service now being
rendered by the vessels DELTA KING and
DELTA QUEEN between San Francisco and
Sacramento.

Application No. 21654

ORIGINAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

By application filed December 17, 1937, applicants request authority to discontinue, until April 1, 1938, upon less than statutory notice, the transportation of passengers by the steamers "DELTA KING" and "DELTA QUEEN" between San Francisco and Sacramento.

They represent that due to a large and continuing decline in the volume of passenger traffic during the past sixty days the amount of gross revenue derived therefrom during that time is now far below the expense of performing this service. They represent that there is no prospect of any increase in the volume of passenger traffic until April 1, 1938, and propose to withdraw said steamers from service and to replace them with vessels equipped with Diesel engines, which vessels will be substantially more economical to operate than the aforesaid steamers and will be engaged exclusively in freight service on the route here involved. They anticipate that a net saving of not less than \$12,500 per month will be effected by this substitution.

The granting of this application will not deprive the public of means of transportation as the territory is served by other carriers.

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to discontinue passenger service by the vessels "DELTA KING" and "DELTA QUEEN" between San Francisco and Sacramento until April 1, 1938, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, provided they immediately supplement their tariffs on file with the Commission on not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and to the public to show that their service has been suspended as authorized herein.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of December, 1937.

William H. Miller
Leon A. Whelan
Frank R. Nelson
Raymond J. Smith
Wm. L. Riley
Commissioners.