

Decision No. 31438

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
GEORGE DOBBINS for authority to dis-
continue operation of an automobile
service as a common carrier between
Minersville, California and Fawn Lodge,
California.

Application No. 22604

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

George Dobbins, applicant herein, seeks authority to discontinue and abandon all of his automotive service as a common carrier of passengers between Minersville and Fawn Lodge and intermediate points, as heretofore granted by Decision No. 31438, dated November 5, 1938, on Application No. 22266, which also authorized the transportation of property.

Applicant proposes to retain and continue to operate his automotive service as a common carrier of property between the points set forth above as authorized in said Decision No. 31438, referred to above.

As justification for the authority to discontinue and abandon service sought herein, applicant alleges that the revenue which he may expect to receive on his entire operation will not suffice to pay the premiums on his public liability and property damage insurance required to be maintained by General Order No. 91 of this Commission. It appears, according to advice received from this operator, that the insurance premium required to be paid yearly on an operation involving the transportation of passengers and property on the same vehicle amounts to approximately \$158, while, if property alone is carried the premium is only \$53 annually.

Applicant in his original application for the certificate involved herein did not anticipate that he would carry more than

four or five passengers monthly, and therefore is not willing, and insists he is financially unable, to afford the insurance expense incidental to such a service but is willing and able, he alleges, to operate if relieved of the passenger certificate previously granted to him.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and under the circumstances set forth, public interest not appearing to be adversely affected, the application will be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that George Dobbins be and he is hereby authorized to discontinue and abandon all of his automotive service as a common carrier of passengers between Minersville and Fawn Lodge and intermediate points, provided that he shall immediately file, in triplicate, on at least five (5) days' notice to the Railroad Commission and the public, a supplement to his tariff cancelling all passenger rates and fares, rules and regulations, and a time schedule, in duplicate, showing the abandonment of service herein authorized.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Decision No. 31438 in so far as it conveys authority for the transportation of passengers, be and it is hereby revoked and annulled.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of March, 1939.

Robert C. DeLoe

Ray R. Rice

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Justus J. Casner

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