Decision No. 32882

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SACRAMENTO NORTHERN RAILWAY for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate an auto stage line for the transportation of passengers, baggage, mail and express, as a common carrier, for compensation, between Oroville and the California - Nevada State Line near Peavine, in the County of Sierra, State of California, and intermediate points.

Supplemental Application No. 19968

BY THE COMMISSION:

FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 32705, dated January 2, 1940, Sacramento Northern Railway was granted authority, by amendment to condition No. 1 of Decision No. 31590, to suspend its passenger stage operations between Oroville and Portola until March 31, 1940.

By further supplemental application, Sacramento Northern Railway now seeks a further order of the Commission extending the time of suspension until May 31, 1940.

In support of its petition, applicant alleges that conditions relied upon as justifying further suspension of this service are cost of operation and lack of patronage commensurate with said cost. Substantiating this allegation, applicant relies upon Exhibit "A," attached to and made a part of its application, wherein is shown, for comparable periods during 1938-39, revenues of \$1,539.71 and expenses of \$3,915.13. Additionally, there is now pending before the Commission an application by Sacramento Northern Railway (No. 23326) seeking authority to discontinue and abandon this service.

These circumstances, as disclosed by applicant, warrant a finding that available public patronage will not justify the incurring of the out-of-pocket cost necessary to maintain this service. The application will be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Sacramento Northern Railway be and it is hereby authorized to suspend its automotive passenger stage service between Oroville and Portola and intermediate points, as heretofore authorized by Decision No. 31590, as amended by Decision No. 32705, from March 31, 1940 to and including May 31, 1940, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall prepare and file on at least ten (10) days' notice to the Commission and the public a supplement to its tariff, in triplicate, and a time schedule, in triplicate, showing suspension of service as herein authorized.

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