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Decision No. 35366

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of the Robb Transportation for an in lieu certificate of public convenience and necessity consolidating all of applicant's existing operative passenger rights by motor bus and combining therewith extended operation east from 101 highway at rodeo grounds on Natividad Road to Kaiser Camp; also from Main Street, City of Salinas, east on East Market Street to Williams Road; also extending from intersection of Alisal Street and Williams Road cast on Alisal Street to Camp McClellan; also extending south from intersection of Williams Road and Alisal Street, south to Airbase; also extending from Spreckels to Riverside.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Bruce W. Robb, applicant herein, doing business as Robb Transportation, is providing service as a passenger stage corporation between Salinas and Spreckels and intermediate points under an operative right acquired under the authority of the Commission's Decision No. 28385, dated November 25, 1935. Applicant Robb also provides a passenger stage service between Salinas Airport, Salinas, and the intersection of Rider Avenue and Del Monte Avenue in the suburban community known as East Salinas, acquired under the authority of the Commission's Decision No. 33373, dated July 30, (1) 1940.

In this proceeding applicant Robb requests a cortificate de novo in lieu of those operative rights and as an extension thereof

(a) between the intersection of U.S. Highway No. 101 and

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⁽¹⁾ Under the authority of the Commission's Decision No. 25928, dated May 8, 1933, Robb also acquired an operative right between Salinas and Tassajara Hot Springs which right is not involved in this application.

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Bernal Drive near the Salinas Rodeo Grounds and Kaiser Camp over and along Bernal Drive and Natividad Road;

- (b) between the intersection of Main Street and East Market
 Street, Salinas, and the intersection of East Market
 Street and Williams Road;
- (c) between the intersection of Williams Road and Alisal Road and Camp McClellan, which is about ten miles easterly of Salinas;
- (d) between a point near the intersection of Williams Road and Alisal Road and U. S. Government Airbase about one mile south of said intersection;
- (e) between Spreckels and a point on the Salinas-Monterey Road known as Riverside, about one mile westerly of Spreckels.

Between Salinas and Camp Kaiser the proposed one-way fare is 20 cents and between Salinas and Camp McClellan the proposed oneway and round-trip fares are 25 cents and 40 cents, respectively. The present fare of 15 cents between Salinas and Spreckels would include service to Riverside. The present local fare of 10 cents would apply to the proposed service on East Market Street and to the U. S. Government Airbase.

In support of the application, applicant alleges in effect that the United States Government has established a large labor camp at Camp McClellan in conjunction with a project for the production of rubber as a part of the present war program and that the laborers and other residents at Camp McClellan are in need of a public transportation service between the Camp and Salinas. It is further asserted that many men are now established at that camp.

It is stated that there has been established at Camp Kaiser a magnesium plant which is operating for and in conjunction

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with the present war emergency program. That there are many residents and workers at this camp who are in need of a passenger transportation service between the camp and Salinas. Applicant also alleges that the inmates and visitors to the county hospital situated on Natividad Road have a need for and would utilize the proposed service.

It is further stated that the United States Government is now operating an Airbase at a point which could be served by detouring from applicant's present route of operation in the district east of Salinas. Scrvice men established there are in need of a passenger stage service between the Airbase and Salinas.

With respect to applicant's proposed extension over East Market Street, it is asserted that a considerable population along this street have no means of public transportation between their homes and Salinas.

From a review of the record in this proceeding, we are of the opinion and so find that there is a public need for the establichment and operation of the service proposed by applicant. No other carrier serves the points to which applicant proposes to extend his service. No public hearing appears to be necessary.

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Based upon the conclusions expressed in the foregoing opinion:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and neccesity be and it hereby is granted to Bruce W. Robb authorizing the establishment of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in section 27 of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers, baggage and mipments of express

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weighing not to exceed one hundred pounds on passenger vehicles between the following named termini and all intermediate points in lieu of, and not in addition to, the operative rights now held by Bruce W. Robb by virtue of the authority contained in the Commission's Decisions Nos. 28385, dated November 25, 1935 and 33373, dated July 30, 1940;

- (1) Salinas and Salinas Airport;
- (2) Salinas, Monterey County Hospital and Camp Kaiser;
- (3) Salinas, East Salinas, United States Government Airbase and Camp McClellan;
- (4) Salinas, Spreckels Junction, Spreckels and Riverside;

subject to the condition that Bruce W. Robb, his successors or assigns, may never claim before this Commission, or any court or other public body, a value for the authority hereby granted in excess of the actual cost thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the operative rights created by Decisions Nos. 28385, dated November 25, 1935 and 33373, dated July 30, 1940, are hereby revoked and annulled.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of the passenger stage service pursuant to the foregoing certificate, the following service regulations shall be observed:

- 1. Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the effective date hereof.
- 2. Applicant shall comply with the provisions of the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79 and 80 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing, in triplicate, and concurrently making effective tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and on not less than one day's notice to the Commission and the public.
- 3. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify them at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct passenger stage service, pursuant to the certificate herein granted, over and along the following routes:

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Between the intersection of Main Street and Alisal Street, Salinas, thence northerly over Main Street and U. S. Highway No. 101 to the Salinas Airport.

Between the intersection of U. S. Highway No. 101 and Bernal Drive, thence along Bernal Drive and Natividad Road via the Monterey County Hospital to Kaiser Camp (Natividad).

Between the intersection of Main Street and East Market Street, Salinas, and the intersection of East Market Street and Williams Road, over and along East Market Street.

Between the intersection of Main Street and Alisal Street, Salinas, and the U.S. Government Airbase in East Salinas and Camp McClellan over and along Alisal Road, detouring therefrom over the most appropriate road to serve U.S. Government Airbase and Camp McClellan.

Between the intersection of Alisal Road and Williams Road and the intersection of Rider Avenue and Del Monte Avenue over and along Williams Road and Del Monte Avenue.

Between the intersection of Main Street and Alisal Street, Salinas, and the intersection of Spreckels Boulevard and Salinas-Monterey Road near Riverside, over and along Main Street, John Street, Abbott Street, U. S. Highway No. 101, Harris Road and Spreckels Boulevard, via Spreckels Junction and Spreckels.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this $\frac{2^{4}}{2}$ day of May, 1942.

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