

ORIGINALDecision No. 35673

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 MELVIN WILLIAMS for certificate of)
 public convenience and necessity to)
 operate bus transportation service as)
 a common carrier between Hobsonway) Application No. 25114
 and Commercial Street in the City of)
 Blythe, and a point approximately)
 seven miles northwest therefrom, all)
 in County of Riverside, State of)
 California.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Melvin Williams seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity under section 50½, Public Utilities Act, authorizing operation as a passenger stage corporation, as defined by section 2½ of that Act, between Blythe and the Morton Air Academy, located some seven miles northwest of Blythe. At the Academy student aviation pilots will be trained for combat service. Many of these students, as well as a substantial number of the personnel employed at the field, will reside at Blythe. The proposed stage service is designed to afford public transportation between Blythe and the Academy.

To provide this service, applicant plans to use a 29-passenger bus, which can also accommodate 13 standees. At the outset, a schedule of three round trips daily is contemplated. A single one-way fare of fifteen cents per passenger, and a round-trip fare of twenty cents per passenger are proposed.

The establishment of this service, we believe, would be in the public interest. It would facilitate the transportation

of students and employees between the Field and Blythe, where housing facilities exist. Since this service would tend to supplant the use of private automobiles, it should promote conservation of both cars and tires. No other passenger carrier operates between these points. Public hearing is unnecessary. Accordingly, the application will be granted.

O R D E R

Application having been made as above entitled; and the Commission being of the opinion and now finding that public convenience and necessity so require;

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it hereby is, granted to Melvin Williams authorizing operation of a service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined by section 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, Public Utilities Act, between Blythe and Morton Air Academy, located approximately seven miles northwest of Blythe.

Said certificate is granted subject to the following condition:

Melvin Williams, 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.

(2) That in the operation of said passenger stage service, Melvin Williams shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) 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.
- (b) Applicant shall comply with the provisions of General Order No. 79 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 (1) day's notice to the Commission and the public.
- (c) Subject to the authority of the Commission to change or modify them at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct said passenger stage service over and along the following routes:

Commencing at the intersection of Hobsonway and Commercial Street in the City of Blythe; thence west on Hobsonway to Lovekin Boulevard; thence north on Lovekin Boulevard to its intersection with an unnumbered county highway leading to said Academy; thence northwest along said unnumbered highway to Morton Air Academy.

Returning via the same route.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of August, 1942.

Justus F. Coe

H. W. Kelly

Francis R. Haven

Richard R. ...

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