Decision No. 39816

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ROBERT P. GEDDES, Jr., doing business as PALOMAR MOUNTAIN STAGES for order authorizing "on call" service to Palomar Observatory from Oceanside, California.

Application No. 27933

<u>opinio</u>

In this Application Robert P. Geddos, Jr. requests the Commission to authorize him to reduce passenger stage service between Oceanside and Palomar Mountain and intermediate points to an "on-call" basis to be operated only upon the demand of four or more passengers.

As justification for the authority sought, the appli - cation in substance states that the operative right between Occanside and Palomar Mountain was created by Decision No. 33114, dated May 21, 1940; that such service was designed primarily to serve the Observatory then under construction on Palomar Mountain; that because of the intervention of the war five extensions of times to establish the service were authorized, the last expiring July 1, 1946; that on June 30, 1946, the operation was established on a daily basis; and that the total revenue from such operation between July 1, 1946 and September 30, 1946, was \$336.02, and the expenses thereof were \$1,854.15, resulting in a net operating loss for the three months of \$1,518.13.

Applicant further states that he has been informed by the Executive Officer of the Observatory Council of the California Institute of Technology of Pasadena that the construction of the observatory will not be completed and ready for operation before approximately January 1, 1948. Applicant avers that he is unable to continue a regularly scheduled service under the existing circumstances.

after full consideration of applicant's request it is our judgment that the request for a reduction of the service is in the public interest and should be authorized. The order will so provide.

ORDER

An application therefor having been filed and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Robert P. Geddos, Jr. is horeby authorized to suspend service between Oceanside and Palomar Mountain and intermediate points, as authorized by Decision No. 33114, until January 1, 1948, provided, however, that service between Oceanside and Palomar Mountain will be provided upon the offer to purchase four adult one-way tickets for transportation between such points.
- (2) That within 30 days from the effective date hereof and upon not less than I day's notice to the Commission

and the public appropriate supplements to applicant stariffs and time tables shall be filed reflecting the authority herein granted.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4 and of November, 1946.