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Decision No. <u>44055</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Commission investigation into the) operations, rates, and practices of) Case 5121 GEORGE B. KORTER, also known as) GEORGE B. COURTIER.)

> Harold J. McCarthy, for Field Division, Commission's Staff. Malone and Sullivan, by <u>William Wetherall</u>, for George B. Korter, respondent.

$\underline{O P I N I O N}$

By its order of September 13, 1949, the Commission instituted an investigation into the operations of respondent, George B. Korter, for the purpose of determining whether he had been operating, without proper authority, as a passenger stage corporation (as defined by Section 50-1/4, Public Utilities Act) between Camp Stoneman, in Contra Costa County, and Oakland Municipal Airport. The matter was submitted at a public hearing held before Examiner Austin at San Francisco on April 10, 1950.

From the statements of counsel representing the respective parties, it appears that on March 22, 1950, respondent Korter discontinued the passenger stage operations forming the subject of this inquiry, and that he has no intention of resuming them. Although respondent contemplated filing an application for a certificate authorizing service between these points, the project was abandoned. Respondent, it appears, recently has accepted employment as sales manager for an Oakland business establishment. Under the circumstances, respondent's counsel requested that the proceeding be dismissed. Counsel for the Field Division has concurred in this recommendation. An order will be entered accordingly.

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<u>order</u>

The Commission having instituted an investigation, as above entitled, into respondent's operations; a public hearing having been held thereon; the matter having been duly submitted; and the Commission being now fully advised,

IT IS ORDERED:

That Case No. 5121 be, and it hereby is, dismissed.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20)

days after the date hereof.

Dated at Jauthhauere, California, this 18th , 1950. day of

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