Decision No.___44757___   **ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Thos. B. Riley, doing business as   )
Trinity Bus Line, for authority to   )
depart from the provisions governing)   Application No. 31670
minimum charges as established by   )
the Commission in its Decision   )
No. 43861 dated February 28, 1950.   )

OPINION AND ORDER

     Thos. B. Riley, doing business as Trinity Bus Line, conducts operations as a passenger stage corporation between Eureka and Redding and intermediate points. He is authorized to handle express shipments limited to a weight of not more than 100 pounds per package. His express service is incidental to his passenger operations. It is similar to that performed by other passenger stage corporations which have heretofore been granted exemption from minimum rates and charges established for freight operations generally. Riley seeks a like exemption in connection with his express traffic.

     The verified application, as amended, shows that Riley's average express shipment weighs under 25 pounds; and that his establishment of increased rates and minimum charges pursuant to recent decisions of general application (Nos. 43861 of February 28, 1950, and 44637 of August 8, 1950, in Case No. 4808) would be detrimental to his operations by causing the diversion of a considerable amount of business to parcel post.

     In the circumstances, the sought relief is justified. A public hearing is not necessary.

     Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Decision No. 31606, in Case No. 4246, as amended, be and it is hereby further amended by adding Thos. B. Riley, doing business as Trinity Bus Line, to the list of carriers contained in paragraph (a) of Finding No. 14 thereof, but restricted to packages each weighing 100 pounds or less transported between Eureka and Redding and intermediate points.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this ___1st___ day of September, 1950.

Commissioners