

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 44988

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Jerome Lofgren for a certificate as a) Application No. 31790
"passenger stage corporation.")

O P I N I O N

Jerome Lofgren, by his amended application, requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing operations as a "passenger stage corporation" (P.U.A., Sec. 2-1/4) for the transportation of passengers, baggage and express between Paradise, Oroville and certain intermediate points via Pearson Road, Clark Road and the Oroville-Chico Highway. No local service will be rendered between Oroville and points on the Oroville-Chico Highway.

To meet objections of Southern Pacific Company and its trucking subsidiary, Pacific Motor Trucking Company, applicant will limit transportation of express to shipments not exceeding 100 pounds to be carried in passenger-type vehicles only, and will not transport express shipments between Oroville and Chico. Pacific Greyhound Lines has advised the Commission that it does not object to the granting of the application. Although Gibson Lines was also furnished with a copy of the application, as amended, no protest has been received from that carrier.

Applicant now operates a passenger stage service in Chico and vicinity and between Chico, Stirling City and intermediate points. (Dec. No. 44730, Appl. No. 31637.) He alleges that residents of Paradise who work in Oroville have no dependable public transportation facilities available between those points and that industries

in Oroville have requested him to provide the service. He proposes to operate three roundtrip schedules per day, leaving Paradise at 7:15 a.m., 11:10 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. and arriving at Oroville 40 minutes later. One way and roundtrip adult fares between terminals will be 70 cents and \$1.20, respectively, with correspondingly lower fares between less distant points. Rules and regulations will be those presently named in applicant's tariff. (Cal P.U.C. No. 1, Anthony Espinosa, dba Chico-Paradise-Stirling City Stage Line Series.) Information furnished in exhibits attached to the application indicates that applicant has financial resources and facilities with which to commence the service.

We find that public convenience and necessity require the passenger stage service proposed in the amended application, subject to restrictions against local service along the Chico-Oroville Highway and the transportation of express shipments as indicated above. A certificate will accordingly be granted.

O R D E R

An application having been filed and considered, the Commission now being fully advised and having found 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 Jerome Lofgren, authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a "passenger stage corporation", as defined in Section 2-1/4 of the Public Utilities Act, as amended, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, and of express in quantities not exceeding 100 pounds per

shipment to be carried in passenger-type vehicles only, between Paradise, California, and Oroville, California, and intermediate points, subject, however, to the restriction that no local passenger or express service may be rendered between Oroville and points and places located on the Chico-Oroville Highway, including Chico.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the authority herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this order applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- b. Within 60 days after the effective date of this order, and on not less than 5 days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and shall comply with the provisions of General Orders Nos. 79 and 80 and of Part IV of General Order No. 93-A, by filing in triplicate, and concurrently making effective, appropriate tariffs and time schedules.
- c. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify it by further order, applicant shall conduct the operation herein authorized over the following route:

Commencing at Paradise, California thence via Pearson Road, Clark Road and Chico-Oroville Highway to Oroville, California, and return via the reverse of said route.

Applicant may turn his vehicles at termini or intermediate points either in the intersection of the street, or by operating around a block, in either direction, contiguous to such intersection, or in accordance with local traffic regulations.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

- Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of November, 1950.

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COMMISSIONERS