

ORIGINALDecision No. 58438

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 Baysel Moyers, doing business as)
 MOYERS STAGES, for authority to) Application No. 40858
 increase certain fares and to adjust)
 fare zones.)

O P I N I O N

Baysel Moyers, doing business as Moyers Stages, and presently rendering a passenger stage service between Fresno and Sanger and between Fresno and Clovis, and intermediate points, requests authority to increase the minimum fare from 15 cents to 20 cents; to increase certain other fares by 5 cents; to change certain fare break points resulting in some increases and in some decreases in fares, and to make certain increases in commutation fares. The over-all effect is approximately a 10 percent increase in passenger revenue.

Independent studies were prepared by applicant and the Commission's staff, which estimate the results of applicant's operations under present and proposed fares. Applicant selected the calendar year of 1959, whereas the staff selected a period of twelve months ending May 31, 1960. The staff report will be incorporated in the record as Exhibit No. 1. The following is a summary of the studies:

	<u>Present Fares</u>		<u>Proposed Fares</u>	
	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Applicant</u>
Revenue	\$85,680.00	\$84,484.27	\$88,830.00	\$88,547.11
Expenses	86,300.00	87,828.00	86,300.00	88,035.00
Net Operating Income	(620.00)	(3,343.73)	2,310.00	512.11
Operating Ratio	100.7%	104.0%	97.2%	99.5%

(Red Figure)

Applicant alleges that all operating costs, including shop, labor, drivers' wages, material, equipment, taxes and insurance have increased since November 1952, the date of applicant's last fare increase; that an important source of passenger revenue was lost by the closing of the North American Aviation Plant at Fresno Air Terminal and that the traveling public is making increasing use of private vehicles.

After consideration the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that the increased fares have been justified. A public hearing does not appear necessary.

O R D E R

Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Baysel Moyers, doing business as Moyers Stages, is hereby authorized to publish and file on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, the increased fares proposed in Exhibit A attached to the application.

(2) That, in addition to the required tariff filings, applicant is hereby directed to post and maintain in his vehicles a notice of the increased fares herein authorized. Such notice shall be given not less than five days prior to the effective date of such fares, and shall be maintained for a period of not less than thirty days.

(3) That the authority herein granted in paragraph (1) shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of May, 1959.

Matthew J. Dooley
Matthew J. Dooley, Commissioner
Date MAY 20 1959

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President

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