

ORIGINALDecision No. 64299

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| In the Matter of the Application of |) | |
| RICHARD W. MERRILL for a certificate |) | |
| of public convenience and necessity |) | Application No. 33661 |
| to operate a passenger service between |) | |
| Yreka, California, and Happy Camp, |) | |
| California. |) | |

ORDER OF REVOCATION

Applicant, Richard W. Merrill, dba Happy Camp Stage, has been providing a passenger stage service between Yreka and Happy Camp and intermediate points along an unnumbered public highway generally following the Klamath River and an off-route point, Scott Bar, adjacent to Scott River, in connection with his star route mail service between these same points, pursuant to a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision No. 47749 dated September 24, 1952, in Application No. 33661. Applicant now seeks an order authorizing discontinuance of his passenger stage service alleging that his insurance costs have increased to the point where public liability and property damage insurance premiums amount to \$27 per month, while the average monthly passenger revenue for the past six months has only been \$9.55. He further states that he is financially unable to continue to sustain these losses which would be eliminated if passengers were no longer carried on his star mail route. This route between Yreka and Happy Camp is approximately 74 miles long and requires 3 hours and 50 minutes westbound in the morning and 2 hours and 5 minutes eastbound in the afternoon to traverse the one round trip per day provided daily except Sundays and holidays.

Under the circumstances, it appears and the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer requires applicant's service as a passenger stage corporation. Accordingly, applicant will be permitted to discontinue that service.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Richard W. Merrill is authorized to discontinue his service as a passenger stage corporation between Yreka and Happy Camp and the off-route point of Scott Bar.
- (2) That the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision No. 47749 dated September 24, 1952, in Application No. 33661 is hereby cancelled and revoked.
- (3) That any and all tariffs, timetables, powers of attorney and concurrences filed by or on behalf of Richard W. Merrill are hereby cancelled.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25th day of September, 1962.

George H. Grover President
Richard W. Merrill
Edward J. [unclear]
Carl [unclear]
William B. [unclear] Commissioners