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Decision No. \_\_\_\_65514

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of C. J. COON, (Blythe-Calexico Shortline Stages) to sell, and JAMES E. PEADEN, dba RED TOP BUS SERVICE, to purchase, Operating Rights of Blythe-Calexico Shortline Stages between Blythe, California and Calexico, California and Intermediate Points.

Application No. 45353

## OPINION

C. J. Coon, doing business as Blythe-Calexico Shortline Stages, requests authority to sell and James E. Peaden, doing business as Red Top Bus Service, requests authority to purchase certain passenger stage operating authority. The agreed consideration is \$10.00.

The rights were granted by Decision No. 52347 dated May 5, 1959, in Application No. 40706 and authorized the transportation of passengers between Blythe and Calexico and intermediate points. Under said authority C. J. Coon was required to serve all principal labor camps of Palo Verde Valley where Mexican Nationals are quartered on an "on-call" basis for a minimum of twenty round-trip passengers and on one day's notice for Saturday southbound service and Sunday northbound service. By Decision No. 63151 dated January 23, 1962, said authority was suspended for a period of one year. The suspension terminated February 12, 1963.

Applicant Peaden requests authority to increase the roundtrip fare from \$8.88 to \$9.00 and the one-way fare from \$4.44 to \$4.50. Mr. Coon's current tariff provides a round-trip fare of \$3.00 and a one-way fare of \$4.50 resulting in an actual increase of \$1.00 in the round-trip fare and no increase in the one-way fare. As of February 15, 1963, applicant Peaden indicated a net worth in the amount of \$190,158.

After consideration the Commission finds that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest and that the proposed increases in fares are justified. A public hearing is not necessary.

## ORDER

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. On or before December 1, 1963, C. J. Coon may sell and transfer, and James E. Peaden may purchase and acquire, the operative rights referred to in the application.
- 2. Within thirty days after the consummation of the transfer herein authorized, James E. Peaden shall notify the Commission, in writing, of that fact and within said period shall file with the Commission a true copy of any bill of sale or other instrument of transfer which may be executed to effect said transfer.
- 3. James E. Peaden shall amend or reissue the tariffs and timetables on file with the Commission, naming rates, rules and regulations governing the common carrier operations herein to show that he has adopted or established, as his own, said rates, rules and regulations. The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the consummation of the transfer herein authorized. The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79 and 93.

4. Concurrent with applicant Peaden's compliance with paragraph 3 hereof authority is hereby granted to increase fares as herein proposed.

President

Le Hotel Acting President

Frederick B. Hobelsoff

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Commissioners

Commissioner George G. Grover. being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.