

Decision No. 5548**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of)
 Willis M. Kleinenbroich, an individ-)
 ual, d.b.a. THE MODESTO RIVERBANK)
 OAKDALE STAGE LINE, for authority to)
 increase minimum rates and fares for)
 the transportation of passengers in)
 and between points, between Modesto,)
 Riverbank and Oakdale, California. }

Application No. 45236
 (Filed March 13, 1963)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant is a passenger stage corporation engaged in the transportation of passengers, mail and property between the Cities of Modesto and Oakdale via Riverbank. He also performs a local bus service in Modesto as a separate operation under the name of Modesto Motor Bus Service. He here seeks authority to increase the minimum one-way fare from 15 cents to 25 cents. All present fares of 25 cents or more would not be changed. Copies of the application were served and notices of the proposal to increase fares were posted in buses in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules. There are no protests.

The application contains financial statements and other data respecting applicant's operations. The Commission's Transportation Division made a study of the operations and the results of that study are set forth in a report dated April 30, 1963 which is received in evidence herein as Exhibit 1.

Applicant estimates that the proposed increases will provide \$353 additional passenger revenue. The staff estimates the increases will provide \$230 additional revenue. Both applicant and the staff forecast operating losses for a future rate year under the

proposed fares as well as under the present fares. We find that the proposed increases in fares will merely reduce applicant's operating loss and are justified. A public hearing is not necessary; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Willis M. Kleinenbroich is authorized to establish the increased fares as proposed in Application No. 45236. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date hereof on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

2. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

3. In addition to the required posting and filing of tariffs, applicant shall give notice to the public by posting in its buses and terminals a printed explanation of its fares. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of JUNE, 1963.

George L. Grover
President

Robert R. [unclear]

Fredrick B. Holopoff

William W. [unclear]

Commissioners

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.