

ORIGINALDecision No. 65549

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of)
 WILLIS M. KLEINENBROICH, an individual)
 doing business as THE MODESTO MOTOR)
 BUS SERVICE, to increase rates and)
 fares for the transportation of pas-)
 sengers between points in the vicinity)
 of the City of Modesto, Stanislaus)
 County, California.)

Application No. 45219
 (Filed March 6, 1963)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant, doing business as Modesto Motor Bus Service, operates a local bus service in the City of Modesto and surrounding area. He also performs passenger stage service as Modesto-Riverbank-Oakdale Stage Line as a separate operation. He here seeks authority to increase by five cents the passenger fares for the Modesto Motor Bus Service operation. Copies of the application have been served and notices of the proposed fare increase were posted in the buses in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules. There are no protests.

The present fares and the proposed fares are:

	<u>Present Fare</u>	<u>Proposed Fare</u>
Adult (Cash)	20c	25c
Student Ticket	10/\$1.00	10/\$1.50

The application contains financial statements showing the results of operation of this service. An engineer of the Commission's Transportation Division made a study of the operations. The

results of that study are set forth in a report dated April 30, 1963 which is received in evidence herein as Exhibit 1.

For the calendar year 1962 applicant had a loss of \$5,761. A summary of the revenues and expenses for the twelve-month period ended February 28, 1963, shows a loss of \$6,409. Effective April 1, 1963, the wages of applicant's drivers were increased from approximately \$98 for a 46-hour week to \$107.80. A forecast of operating results for a future rate year, set forth in Exhibit 1, shows an operating loss of \$12,560 under present fares and a loss of \$660 under the proposed increased fares.

We find that the increases are justified, that applicant should be authorized to establish the proposed fares on not less than 10 days' notice, and that 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. 45219. 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 his buses and terminals a printed explanation of his 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 T. Groves
 President

Robert W. [unclear]

Fredrick B. Holschoff

William W. [unclear]

Commissioners

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