

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 74570

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of DESERT TRANSFER  
& STORAGE, doing business as  
DESERT TRANSIT COMPANY, for an  
order of the Commission tempor-  
arily suspending its certificate  
of public convenience and  
necessity to operate as a  
passenger stage corporation for  
not to exceed one year.

Application No. 50373  
(Filed July 5, 1968)

O P I N I O N

Desert Transfer & Storage, presently providing service as a highway common carrier and as a passenger stage corporation between Indio and Eagle Mountain, requests authority to suspend passenger stage service between said points for a period of one year.

It is alleged that persons residing in Indio and working at Eagle Mountain prefer the use of private cars and as a result applicant's passenger stage operations have shown a constant loss; applicant's financial condition is such that it is impossible to maintain the necessary insurance coverage required for a passenger stage service; and applicant is presently negotiating with Kaiser Steel Corporation, which operates the iron ore mine at Eagle Mountain, regarding possible financial assistance and/or encouragement of employees to use the service.

After consideration the Commission finds that the proposed suspension would not be adverse to the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Desert Transfer & Storage, doing business as Desert Transit Company, is authorized to suspend passenger stage service as authorized by Decision No. 72909, dated August 15, 1967, in Application No. 49511 to and including August 1, 1969.

2. Within sixty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public applicant shall amend its tariffs and timetables presently on file with the Commission to reflect the authority herein granted.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20<sup>th</sup>  
day of AUGUST, 1968.

William Synnors Jr.  
President  
Ed. E. H. H. H.  
William C. B. B.  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Fred P. Morrissey, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.