

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 80354

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
Barstow-Death Valley Freight Lines }  
requesting authority to abandon }  
passenger stage service }

Application No. 53345  
(Filed May 19, 1972)

O P I N I O N

Barstow-Death Valley Freight Lines, presently providing service as a passenger stage corporation and as a highway common carrier between Barstow and Stovepipe Wells and intermediate points, requests authority to discontinue the passenger stage portion of the operation.

It is alleged that the number of passengers has declined for a number of years and the revenue derived therefrom is insufficient to cover the necessary minimum liability insurance; that applicant transported 114 passengers in 1969, 105 passengers in 1970 and 108 passengers in 1971; that applicant's joint interstate and intrastate operations are conducted in van-type equipment which is also used to haul freight; that to meet the interstate requirements relating to the segregation of smoking and non-smoking passengers applicant would be required to acquire vehicles with greater seating capacity; and that because of the unwarranted cost when considered in the light of present passenger revenue applicant has allowed its liability insurance covering the passenger operation to lapse.

After consideration, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require applicant's service as a passenger stage corporation between Barstow and Stovepipe Wells and intermediate points. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. After the effective date hereof, and following the posting of notice in its vehicles and terminals for a period of thirty days, applicant may discontinue passenger stage service between Barstow and Stovepipe Wells and intermediate points.

2. Appendix A of Decision No. 56218 in Application No. 39733 is hereby amended by incorporating First Revised Page 1, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, in place of Original Page 1.

3. Within sixty days after the date hereof and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall amend its tariff and timetable presently on file with the Commission to reflect the authority herein granted.

4. Within ten days after discontinuance of service applicant shall file with this Commission a copy of the notice posted pursuant to ordering paragraph 1 hereof and indicating the dates that such notice was posted.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 1972.

Vernon L. Sturgeon  
President  
William Synovus  
W. H. Harkin  
John W. Wain  
Commissioners

Appendix A  
(Dec. 56218)

Barstow-Death Valley  
Freight Lines  
(a corporation)

First Revised Page 1  
Cancels  
Original Page 1

Barstow-Death Valley Freight Lines, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted below, is authorized to transport general commodities, as a highway common carrier, except the following commodities:

1. Used household goods and personal effects not packed in accordance with the crated property requirements set forth in paragraph (d) of Item No. 10-C of Minimum Rate Tariff 4-A.
2. Automobiles, trucks and buses; viz., new and used, finished or unfinished passenger automobiles (including jeeps) ambulances, hearses and taxis; freight automobiles, automobile chassis, trucks, truck chassis, truck trailers, trucks and trailers combined, buses, bus chassis.
3. Livestock; viz., bucks, bulls, calves, cattle, cows, dairy cattle, ewes, goats, hogs, horses, kids, lambs, steers, stags or swine.
4. Commodities requiring the use of special refrigeration or temperature control in specially designed and constructed refrigerated equipment.
5. Liquids, compressed gases, commodities in semiplastic form and commodities in suspension in liquids in bulk, in tank trucks, tank trailers, tank semitrailers or a combination of such highway vehicles.
6. Commodities when transported in bulk in dump trucks or in hopper type trucks.