

ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

General Order No. 70-A

TO OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN STAGE SERVICE AND "FOR HIRE" SERVICE, AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED.

As a measure of protection to automobile stage lines operating between fixed termini over a regular route, we require operators of "for hire" cars to charge 40 per cent in excess of established stage fares for service rendered over the route or between the termini of such lines. Section 6 of our Order in Docket No. 460 issued May 8, 1918, provides for this additional charge.

We are advised that it is a practice of some stage line operators to extend their service beyond the time schedule filed with the Commission at rates provided for scheduled runs. For example, the last scheduled run of a stage line may be 7 o'clock P. M., leaving terminal. Operators of such stage lines have assumed that they may give extra service after this hour at the stage rate, but that "for hire" cars shall charge the higher rates.

The purpose of protecting stage lines against competition of "for hire" cars is to compensate such lines for rendering regular service under adverse weather and road conditions and irrespective of the volume of traffic. The public is assured definite service at specific rates, regardless of conditions.

Stage Lines are granted exclusive franchises conditioned upon their maintaining time schedules, as filed with the Commission and as will afford adequate service. It is not designed to exclude "for hire" cars from stage line routes while permitting stage line operators to give special service.

Upon due consideration, we are of the opinion that stage lines and "for hire" cars operators should be of an equality in rates after the last scheduled trip of the day of stage lines is made.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: That the proviso of section 6 of our order in Docket 460 be and it is hereby modified to read as follows:

"Provided, however, that the rate or fare for rent service when performed between points from and to which a scheduled service is in effect shall not be less than 140 per centum of the rate or fare prescribed for such scheduled service; provided, further, that where three or more scheduled daily trips are made by stage lines, operators of "for hire" cars may render service at stage line rates after the time the last stage is scheduled to leave.

BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.

A. E. STELZER, Secretary.

Dated at Phoenix, Arizona, this 12th day of March, 1920.

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