

Decision No. 15005

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Lewis A. Monroe, as Joint Agent for)
Borderland Express, Wiley J. Gibson,)
owner, and Pioneer Truck & Transfer)
Company, Stafford & Thacker, owners,)
for an order granting permission to)
establish through joint Class and)
Commodity Rates between San Diego and)
Brawley, Imperial, Heber and Calexico.)
via El Centro.)

APPLICATION NO. 10694.

W. J. Gibson, General Manager, for Borderland Express
P. C. Thacker, for Pioneer Express
Lewis A. Monroe, for Applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application filed by Lewis A. Monroe, Agent on behalf of Borderland Express and Pioneer Truck and Transfer Company, seeking permission to establish joint freight class and commodity rates between San Diego, served by Borderland Express on the one hand, and on the other Brawley, Imperial, Heber and Calexico, served by Pioneer Truck and Transfer Company.

A public hearing was held at Los Angeles before Examiner Coary, May 18, 1925, and the matter having been duly submitted is now ready for an opinion and order.

The proposed rates as set forth in Exhibit A, attached to and made a part of the application, will be lower than the present combination of local rates. The reductions in the class rates vary from 5 cents to 35 cents per 100 pounds, and in the commodity rates from 2 1/2 cents to 20 cents per 100 pounds.

A witness for the applicant testified that the present

combination of the local rates makes the charge for the through movement excessive and in many instances prohibits the movement of farm products via these truck lines from Imperial Valley points to the consuming markets located at San Diego and in that vicinity. Testimony also was to the effect that the territory is traversed by many unauthorized truck operators who are securing the traffic to the detriment of these companies. Establishment of through service and a reduction of the rates is expected to build up additional tonnage.

In the establishment of this through route and joint rates it is not proposed to change in any manner the physical operation of the trucks and the tonnage will be transferred at junction points. The joint rates will meet a public convenience and will result in reduced freight charges.

We are of the opinion there is a necessity for the through route and joint rates and that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled application, evidence having been submitted by the applicants and the Commission being fully advised,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that there is necessity for a through route and joint freight rates between the points served by the applicants, as set

forth in the exhibit attached to and made a part of the application.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Borderland Express, Wiley J. Gibson, owner, and Pioneer Truck & Transfer Company, Stafford and Thacker, owners, be authorized through Lewis A. Monroe, Agent, to publish and file tariffs setting forth the joint rates to be assessed over the through route, such rates to be those shown in the exhibit attached to and made a part of the application.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3rd day of June, 1925.

H. P. Roundidge

George D. Squires
Ernest C. ...
Commissioners.