

Decision No. 15299

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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In the Matter of the Application of)
Lewis A. Monroe, as Agent for the)
Marietta Valley Motor Freight Line,)
Pickwick Stages, Inc. Lessee, for an)
order granting permission to elimin-)
ate the pickup and delivery service)
within published zones in the City)
of Los Angeles on shipments of less)
than one ton.)

APPLICATION NO. 10781

Warren E. Libby for applicant.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application filed by Lewis A. Monroe, Agent for the Marietta Valley Motor Freight Line, on behalf of the Pickwick Stages, Inc., lessee, seeking permission to amend paragraph A, rule 1, of the Marietta Line Freight Tariff C.R.C.No.4 to provide that the pickup and delivery service now applicable in a defined zone in the City of Los Angeles will only apply on shipments of one ton or over.

A public hearing was held at Los Angeles before Examiner Geary on July 22, 1925 and the matter having been duly submitted is ready for an opinion and order.

Applicant now maintains a pickup and delivery service on shipments of any weight, in the City of Los Angeles, within a zone bounded on the north by Aliso Street, on the south by Washington Street, on the east by Santa Fe Avenue and on the west by Main Street.

The evidence indicates that approximately 99 per cent of all shipments of less than one ton are delivered or picked up at the Los Angeles depot by the consignors or consignees. However, there are some ten or twelve shippers, with an average of two to three small shipments per day, which applicant is called upon to pick up or deliver. Because of the congested districts in the industrial sections of Los Angeles it is necessary to maintain for this service a separate truck, with driver, at a cost of \$8.00 per day. The total revenue derived from this class of traffic does not even cover the expense of the pickup and delivery services and has, consequently, placed a burden upon other traffic. Applicant's Mariatta line failed to earn its operating expenses for the calendar year ending December 31, 1924, but did show a small profit for the first five months of the year 1925. By the elimination of the pickup and delivery service within Los Angeles on shipments of less than one ton a major portion, if not all, of the losses heretofore sustained should be eliminated and the line should show a profit for the entire year of 1925.

There were no appearances in opposition to the application.

Upon consideration of all the facts of record, we are of the opinion and find that the application should be authorized and that paragraph A of rule 1 of Freight Tariff C.R.C. No.4 should be amended as set forth in the application.

O R D E R

This application having been heard and submitted by the parties, full investigation of the matters and things involved having been had and basing this order on the findings of fact and the conclusions contained in the opinion which precedes this order, which said opinion is hereby referred to and made a part hereof,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Marietta Valley Motor Freight Line, Pickwick Stages, Inc., lessee, be, and it is hereby authorized to amend paragraph A, rule 1, of its Freight Tariff C.R.C. No.4 to provide that free pickup and delivery service within the City of Los Angeles in the zone bounded on the north by Aliso Street, on the south by Washington Street, on the east by Santa Fe Avenue and on the west by Main Street, be restricted to apply only on shipments of one ton or over, as set forth in the application.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15th day of August, 1925.

C. Seaver

George D. Squires

Leon A. White
Commissioners.