

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application )  
of PACIFIC WAREHOUSE COMPANY to )  
apply less than the lawful tariff ) Application No. 13141  
rates for the storage and handling )  
of property owned by the United )  
States Government. )

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application filed by the Pacific Warehouse Company, Inc. seeking authority to charge and collect rates less than those lawfully on file in Tariffs with this Commission for the storage and handling of property owned by the United States Veterans' Bureau.

Applicant has been engaged as a public warehouseman at San Francisco for a number of years under tariffs lawfully filed. Recently the United States Veterans' Bureau found it essential and necessary to establish a depository in San Francisco for the storage of food products and supplies used in the hospitals conducted for the benefit of disabled war veterans of the United States. The various warehouses in San Francisco were solicited by the Government to submit competitive bids for the storage and handling of these produces, it being understood by all parties that the bids to be submitted would be conditional in that no contract thereon could legally be executed without the approval of the Commission. In response to this request applicant submitted a bid naming rates less and different from those specified in the schedules on file which bid

was accepted subject to the approval of the Railroad Commission.

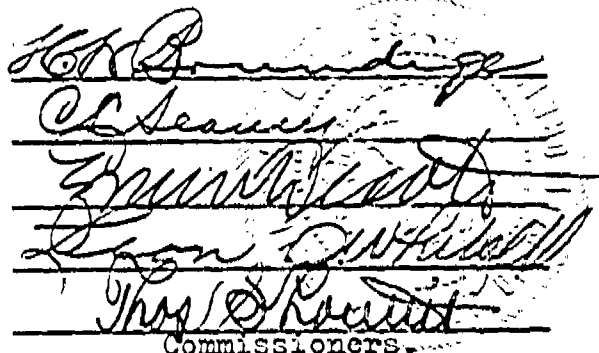
Under the provisions of paragraph (b), section 17, of the Public Utilities Act, it is incumbent upon public utilities engaged in the warehouse business to adhere to the rates specified in schedules on file unless permission has been secured from the Railroad Commission to deviate therefrom.

Considering that this application is solely for the purpose of according contract rates to the United States Government through its Veterans' Bureau and for the reason that the United States Government appears to be obliged under the Federal laws to let such contracts by competitive bidding, and, further, that the property is now offered for immediate storage, we are of the opinion this is a matter not requiring a public hearing and that the application should be granted; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicant, Pacific Warehouse Company, Inc., be and it is hereby authorized to charge and collect rates different from those specified in its schedules lawfully on file with this Commission for the storage and handling of property owned by the United States Veterans' Bureau.

The rates and charges to be assessed shall be those embraced in the contract entered into with the United States Veterans' Bureau as referred to in the application and the exhibits attached thereto.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1926.

  
Commissioners.