

Decision No. 17386

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 }
Rice Transportation Company and }
Zimmerman Bros. for an order grant- }
ing permission to establish Joint }
Freight Rates between Los Angeles }
and Wilmington-San Pedro. }

APPLICATION NO. 12355

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application filed by Lewis A. Monroe, Agent, on behalf of Rice Transportation Company and Zimmerman Bros. seeking authority to publish joint freight rates between Los Angeles on the one hand and on the other San Pedro and Wilmington, as set forth in Exhibit A of the application.

The proposed rates are to apply via, and traffic will be interchanged at, Long Beach. Zimmerman Bros. serve the territory extending from Los Angeles to Long Beach and the Rice Transportation Company the territory from Long Beach to Wilmington-San Pedro. The operative rights of the former carrier were secured by purchase from the latter under authority of this Commission in Application No. 11651, Decision No. 15366 of September 3, 1925. The line of the Rice Transportation Company from Long Beach to Wilmington and San Pedro is owned by the Donovan Transportation Company, but will be operated by the former carrier until December 31, 1927

under a lease arrangement approved by the Commission in Application No. 10726, Decision No. 17216, of August 13, 1926.

Prior to the time Zimmerman Bros. purchased that portion of the Rice Transportation Company between Los Angeles and Long Beach the Commission authorized the Rice and Donovan Lines to establish the same joint rates that applicant here desires authority to publish. It is alleged that through inadvertence at the time request was made for authority for Zimmerman Bros. to purchase a portion of the Rice Line applicants neglected to also request authority to continue in effect the joint rates authorized via the Rice and Donovan Lines.

Applicants now seek authority to continue in effect the same joint rates previously authorized for a heavy volume of business developed and there is a public demand and a necessity for the joint rates.

In view of the fact that this application is solely for the purpose of continuing joint rates previously authorized by this Commission, we are of the opinion that a formal hearing is unnecessary.

We find as a fact that the establishment of a through route and the publication of joint rates, as set forth in Exhibit A of the application will be of advantage to the shipping public and that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require
the establishment of a through route and joint freight rates,
as set forth in Exhibit A of the application, between Los
Angeles on the one hand and on the other Wilmington and San
Pedro.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants, Rice Trans-
portation Company and Zimmerman Bros., be and they hereby are
authorized to publish and file a tariff setting forth the
joint freight rates to be assessed over this route, such rates
to be the same as set forth in Exhibit A of the application.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25th
day of September, 1926.

H. B. Brundage
Chairman
Leon Cowdell
Thomas R. Rutter
Commissioners.