

Decision No. 29844.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
PIONEER EXPRESS COMPANY,
a corporation, for permission to pub-)
lish tariff and rules and regulations)
governing the transportation of freight)
between San Francisco, Burlingame, San)
Mateo, Redwood City, Palo Alto, San)
Jose, Calif., and intermediate points.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 15260.

C. S. McLenegan, for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Pioneer Express Company, a corporation, seeks authority to cancel its present tariff containing the rates, rules and regulations governing the transportation of freight between San Francisco, San Jose and intermediate points, and to publish in lieu thereof a more comprehensive schedule of rates and charges and rules and regulations appertaining thereto as set forth in Exhibit "B" of the application. The proposed adjustment will result in both increases and reductions.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Geary at San Francisco March 6th, 1929, and the application having been submitted is now ready for an opinion and order.

The operative right of applicant for the transportation of property between San Francisco, San Jose and intermediate points was granted to the partnership of S. G. McLenegan & Son in our

Decision No. 6042, dated December 30, 1918, and was transferred to the Pioneer Express Company, a corporation, in Decision No. 13812, dated July 18, 1924. In taking over the operative right of S. G. McLenegan & Son the applicant adopted the tariff then in effect. This tariff contains rates for the transportation of both express and freight and is otherwise not in accordance with this Commission's requirements. It also contains rates for the pick up and delivery of freight in San Francisco, Burlingame, San Mateo, Redwood City, Palo Alto and San Jose, which pick up and delivery service has been discontinued by applicant under authority of this Commission in Decision No. 20382, dated October 24, 1928. The tariff is antiquated, inadequate and incomplete, fails to provide definite rates for certain commodities offered, is not clearly understandable by users of the service, and does not comply with this Commission's General Order No. 80, effective December 1, 1927, which governs the construction and filing of freight tariffs and classifications by automobile truck transportation companies. In addition to a greater classification of commodities, applicant is setting up a number of specific commodity rates. The charges are also to be graded upon quantity lots.

There is in this proceeding no intention to increase the gross revenue, and the results flowing from the proposed tariff, containing increases and reductions, are expected to produce practically the same revenue as is now obtained under the present rates.

The annual report for the year ending December 31, 1928, shows that this company has invested in plant and equipment \$41,207.86, and that its total assets are \$54,230.71. The total transportation revenue for 1928 was \$45,926.85, and the total transportation expenses \$45,607.60, leaving a net operating revenue of \$319.25.

We conclude and find upon this record that the freight

tariff changes proposed are not unjust or unreasonable, and that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

This application having been duly 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 said opinion is hereby referred to and made a part hereof,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Pioneer Express Company, a corporation, be and it is hereby authorized to establish within twenty (20) days from the date hereof, the freight rates between San Francisco and San Jose and the intermediate points as set forth in Exhibit "B" as amended, attached to and made part of the application. The freight tariff will be constructed in conformity with our General Order No. 80.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of March, 1929.

Thomas D. Lovell

Clarence

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M. J. C.
Commissioners.