

Decision No. 7909

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Beverly Hills-Sherman Transfer Company, for an order granting permission to establish general increase in freight rates over its line between Los Angeles, Sherman, Beverly Hills, Sawtelle and West Gate and intermediate points.

APPLICATION NO.5863

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L. A. Monroe, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION -

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Beverly Hills-Sherman Transfer Company made formal application to the Railroad Commission petitioning for authority for a general increase in freight rates over its line between Los Angeles, Sherman, Beverly Hills, Sawtelle, West Gate and intermediate points.

A hearing was held before Examiner Satterwhite at 10 A.M., Wednesday, July 14th at Los Angeles and the matter is now ready for opinion and order.

The evidence indicated that under the present rates the applicant's net profit for March 1920 was only \$43.32 on an investment of \$6250.00.

The testimony also showed that since this application was filed, the applicant has been compelled to increase the salaries of drivers from \$130 to \$150 and that the cost of oil and gas has likewise increased since this application was filed. An exhibit filed with the petition in this proceeding indicates that the proposed rates applied to one week's business, using 1920. May 3rd to 8th/, inclusive, provide an increase in revenue of \$23.90 or an average of \$95.60 for the month. The owner of this transportation company also testified that tires and accessories and repairs had also increased. It was therefore the opinion of the Commission that the increase in rates requested is a reasonable increase and fully warranted by the evidence.

ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the Beverly Hills-Sherman Transfer Company be, and the same is hereby, authorized to increase its freight rates in accordance with Exhibit "A" attached to and made a part of the application in this pro ceeding, such rates to become effective within ten days after filing with the Railroad Commission and the legal notice to the DIDLic.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>21</u>th day of July, 1920.

COMMISSIONERS.

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