

Decision No. 28785

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
ROBERT G. ANDERSON, doing business as
PETALUMA & SANTA ROSA EXPRESS CO.,
for a certificate to operate a common
carrier truck service between San
Francisco and Hamilton Field in Marin
County and points north thereof to and
including Santa Rosa and Sebastopol in
Sonoma County, and certificate to be
in lieu of present operation by applicant
of express business conducted under same
name.

Supplemental
Application No. 20083.

ORIGINAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant, Robert G. Anderson conducts an express business under the name of Petaluma & Santa Rosa Express Co. The operations of this company are between San Francisco and points between San Rafael and Santa Rosa (excluding San Rafael), and the underlying carrier has been Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company. The operations of the express company are conducted wholly over the lines of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company at its established rates for class and commodity. In the main application applicant seeks to relinquish his express right over the rail carrier and establish truck service between the same points. No hearing or other action has been taken on the main application.

Applicant by this supplementary application directs attention to the fact that Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company is not able to transport its rail cars between San Francisco and Sausalito by barge, as has been its custom for many years, due to the strike conditions. Because of these conditions the

railroad must transport its freight cars over the Southern Pacific tracks via Dumbarton and Carquinez Bridges and thence westerly via Suisun to Sonoma, such roundabout method of transportation delaying express shipments of applicant until late in the afternoon of the first day instead of, as formerly, at an early hour in the morning.

Applicant is now faced with an emergency where he can not deliver the shipments entrusted to his care, in volume of ten to twelve tons daily, with the expedition required by the consignees, and to meet the emergency requests authority to establish truck service between San Francisco and points between San Rafael and Santa Rosa, (including Santa Rosa and excluding San Rafael) during the strike emergency set forth, to be surrendered to this Commission whenever normal service is restored on the lines of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

Robert G. Anderson, operating under the name of Petaluma & Santa Rosa Express Co., having requested authority to establish auto truck service for the transportation of express matter consigned to him under his express certificate, between San Francisco and points between San Rafael and Santa Rosa (excluding San Rafael),

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the establishment of such service of Robert G. Anderson over and along the following route:

Via ferry between San Francisco and Sausalito, thence via State Highway No. 101 between Sausalito and Santa Rosa;

and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity therefor be and the same hereby is granted Robert G. Anderson, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall forthwith file his acceptance of the certificate herein granted, stipulating in said acceptance that the certificate is accepted in the emergency stated in the foregoing opinion, and that the service to be performed under it shall not endure longer than the period during which the Northwestern Pacific Railroad is unable to render its normal expeditious service between San Francisco and Santa Rosa and intermediate points, and that upon the resumption of said normal and stable service applicant will immediately request the cancellation of this certificate by the Commission; and, further, that the certificate is to be used only for truck or trucks transporting commodities consigned to the express company and no other service, and at the rates now on file by said Anderson under the name Petaluma and Santa Rosa Express Co., without alteration or modification.

2. Applicant shall amend its tariff on file with the Commission so as to provide that the rates for the service herein authorized will be those now provided in applicant's tariff for the transportation of like property by express.

3. The authority herein granted is revocable at any time with or without notice at the discretion of the Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of August, 1935.

Leon Whalley
M. B. Harris
Frank P. [unclear]
COMMISSIONERS.