

Decision No. 29276

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application)
 of H. P. Lauritzen, G. B. Lauritzen,)
 and N. P. Bush, doing business as)
 Richmond Navigation & Improvement)
 Co., for permission to operate)
 Automobile Trucks as a common)
 carrier of property between Albany,)
 El Cerrito, Richmond, and San Pablo,)
 on the one hand and San Francisco on)
 the other hand as an alternative)
 route and as an emergency during the)
 disturbance of water transportation)
 by labor troubles and strikes.)

Application No. 20862

ORIGINAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

H. P. Lauritzen, G. B. Lauritzen and N. P. Bush, operating under the name and style of Richmond Navigation and Improvement Company, are common carriers by water between San Francisco and Richmond and in this application seek authority to substitute auto truck service via the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and/or the Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries for service currently operated by vessel.

Applicants allege that strike conditions and labor troubles have interrupted operation of their vessels; that a state of emergency exists and that unless the relief herein sought is obtained they will be unable to conduct their operations and the public will be deprived of service thereunder. A certificate of public convenience and necessity for a substitute auto truck service is sought, limited to the period during which applicants will be unable to transport property by water. No tariff or time schedule changes are proposed and service will be limited to points applicants are already authorized to serve.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is unnecessary. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
HEREBY DECLARES the public convenience and necessity require
the operation, for a temporary period, by H. P. Lauritzen,
G. B. Lauritzen, and N. P. Bush, operating as Richmond Navigation
and Improvement Company, of auto trucks as a highway common
carrier of property between San Francisco and Richmond, now
served by applicants under tariffs on file with the Commission,
via the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and/or the Southern
Pacific Golden Gate Ferries.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public
convenience and necessity for such service be and it is hereby
granted to H. P. Lauritzen, and N. P. Bush, operating under the
name and style of Richmond Navigation and Improvement Company,
subject to the following conditions.

1. Applicants shall immediately file their
written acceptance of the certificate herein
granted.
2. Applicants shall amend their tariff so as
to provide that the rates for the service herein
authorized will be those now provided in applicants'
tariff for the transportation of like property by
vessel.
3. The authority herein granted is limited to
service to be performed in lieu of vessel service
and is void as soon as applicants are again able
to operate vessels between the points involved.
4. The authority herein granted is revocable at
any time with or without notice at the discretion
of the Commission.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that during such time as
applicants are unable to perform service by vessel such service
may be suspended.

The effective date of this order shall be the date
hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day
of November, 1936.

M. B. Lewis
Leon A. Kelly
M. J. C. C.
William H. C.
Frank R. C.
COMMISSIONERS.