

Decision No. 29710.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SAN PEDRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

Complainants,

vs.

THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE
RAILWAY COMPANY,
LOS ANGELES-SAN FRANCISCO NAVIGATION
COMPANY,
LOS ANGELES & SALT LAKE RAILROAD
COMPANY,
LOS ANGELES STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
McCORMICK STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
NELSON STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY,
PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
SANTA MARIA VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY,
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY,
SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY,

Defendants.

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Case No. 2602

In the Matter of the Application of
F. W. GOMPH, Agent, for and on behalf
of:

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe
Railway Company,
Southern Pacific Company,
Pacific Electric Railway Company,
Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad
Company,
Santa Maria Valley Railroad Com-
pany, and
Los Angeles Junction Railroad
Company,

for authority under Section 63 of the
Public Utilities Act to establish in-
creased rates, etc., and for relief
from the long-and-short-haul provi-
sions of Section 24(a) of the Public
Utilities Act.

Application No. 16637.

ADDITIONAL APPEARANCES:

H. W. Klein, J. L. Fielding, A. Burton Mason, Frank Karr,
E. E. Bennett and Gerald E. Duffy, for the applicant
and individual carriers for whom application is made.

H. W. Klein, J. L. Fielding, A. Burton Mason, Frank Karr,
E. E. Bennett and Gerald E. Duffy, for defendants in
Case 2602.
L. H. Stewart, for the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce and
Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.
Clyde M. Leach and L. H. Stewart, for the Board of Harbor
Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles.
H. R. Brashear, for Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.
Russell Scott, for Salinas Chamber of Commerce and the
City of Salinas.
Hal Remington, for San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.
J. C. Sommers, for Stockton Chamber of Commerce.
Edson Abel, for California Farm Bureau Federation.
Durley & Downes, by H. C. Downes, for Brenneis Manufacturing
Company of Oxnard.
Beach Vasey, for City of Long Beach, Legal Department.
R. O. Baldwin, for Long Beach Chamber of Commerce.
John B. Wallace, for Ventura Chamber of Commerce.
E. G. Wilcox, for Oakland Chamber of Commerce.
F. M. Chandler, for Richmond Chamber of Commerce.
Fred McCargar and Sam P. Cava, for Salinas Chamber of Com-
merce.
H. R. Howland, for Larsson Traffic Service.
W. G. Stone, for Sacramento Wholesalers and Manufacturers
Association.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

These proceedings involve the class and commodity rates maintained by the common carriers involved, for transportation between Los Angeles and Los Angeles Harbor on the one hand and various points in California on the other hand. They were submitted several years ago at a time when, primarily because of competitive influences of highway carriers which were then largely unregulated, the transportation rate structure was changing rapidly. (See in re Investigation into the Operation of the Various Transportation Systems Doing Business in the State of California, 38 C.R.C. 81.) At that time it seemed impracticable for the Commission to order or approve sweeping changes in common carrier rates; and consequently no final orders were issued. For-hire highway carriers have subsequently been placed under

regulation, but in the light of changed conditions this record is not now an adequate one upon which to issue a final order. Under these circumstances it appears proper that these proceedings be discontinued. Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the complaint in Case No. 2602 be and it is hereby dismissed, and that Application No. 16637 be and it is hereby denied without prejudice.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26th day of April, 1937.

Walter H. ...
Leon ...
John R. ...
Robert ...
Carl ...
Commissioners.