Decision No. 31999

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of HOBBS, WALL AND COMPANY for an Order (a) authorizing the temporary suspension of freight service between San Francisco and Crescent City and (b) authorizing such suspension of service on less than thirty days' notice.

Application No. 22690

BY THE COMMISSION:

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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Hobbs, Wall & Company seeks authority to suspend its service as a common carrier for the transportation of freight by vessel between San Francisco and Crescent City, until October 1, 1939, on not less than three days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

In support of the application it is alleged that applicant's principal southbound traffic Gonsists of lumber milled at Crescent City and that its northbound traffic consists mainly of supplies destined to the lumber mill at that point. It is further alleged that the Crescent City lumber mill temporarily discontinued operating on or about October 15, 1938, and that present conditions indicate operations will not be resumed for a period of approximately six months. It is stated that since the lumber mill discontinued operations, the amount of traffic moving has been sufficient to defray but a small portion of the operating costs and that service will not be economically justified until the mill reopens.

This does not appear to be a matter in which a public hearing is necessary. The allegations contained in the application indicate that a continuance of applicant's vessel service between San Francisco and Crescent City is not warranted under existing

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conditions. The granting of the application will not deprive the public of a means of transportation as the points involved are served by other carriers. The application will be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HERREY ORDERED that Hobbs, Wall & Company be and it is hereby authorized to suspend service for the transportation of property by vessel between San Francisco and Crescent City until October 1, 1939, upon supplementing its tariffs on file with the Commission, on not less than three (3) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to show that its service has been suspended as authorized herein.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>1600</u> day of <u>1939</u>.

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Commissioners.