

Decision No. 35541

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)	
of HUENEME WHARF AND WAREHOUSE)	
COMPANY for an order granting)	Application No. 24170
permission to add a loading out)	
charge in connection with the)	
storage of beans.)	

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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, as amended, filed under Section 63 of the Public Utilities Act, Hueneme Wharf and Warehouse Company, a corporation operating as a public utility warehouseman at Hueneme, Ventura County, seeks authority to increase its rates for the handling of beans. The storage rates now applicable are \$.75 for one month, \$1 for two months, \$1.25 for the first season and \$.25¹ per month but not to exceed \$1.25 per season for subsequent seasons. These rates do not include loading service rendered by applicant when the beans are removed from storage, a service for which applicant's tariff provides a rate of \$.15.² The rate proposed for this service is \$.25.

In support of the proposed increase it is represented that as a result of a wage agreement between applicant and its employees labor costs incurred in storing and handling beans have recently been increased approximately \$2,500 per year; that additional revenue of approximately \$2,000 per year would be derived from the proposed rate;³

¹ Rates are stated herein in dollars per ton of 2,000 pounds. The storage season for beans ends on July 31 of each year.

² It is represented that applicant has contrued its tariff as providing a loading charge only for service rendered in connection with the storage of dried beet pulp. It appears, however, that the \$.15 rate is applicable to the loading of all commodities embraced by the tariff.

³ In making this estimate applicant erroneously assumed that its tariff now provides no charge for the service. A proper application of the tariff will result in about \$1200 more revenue and a \$.10 increase will produce approximately \$800 additional.

and that other warehousemen operating in the vicinity of Hueneme maintain rates for the storage and loading of beans equivalent to those here proposed. Applicant's customers have been notified of the filing of the application and none has offered any objection to its being granted. Its annual report for the year 1940 shows that its principal business was storing beans and performing services incidental to that storage and that a loss of \$60.10 was experienced for the year's operations.

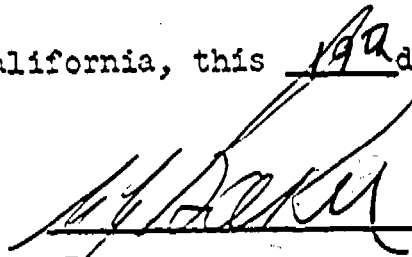
It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed increased rate is justified. The application will be granted. Therefore, good cause appearing,

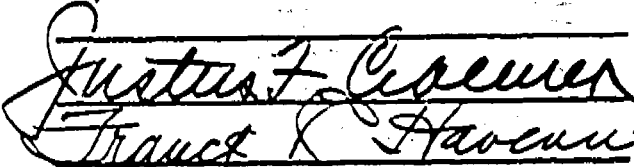
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Hueneme Wharf and Warehouse Company, a corporation, be and it is hereby authorized to publish and file on not less than thirty (30) days' notice to the Commission and to the public a rate of 25 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds applicable to loading services rendered in connection with the storage of beans.


The authority herein granted is void unless the rate authorized is published and filed within sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of August, 1941.







Commissioners.