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Decision No. 34620

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
PACIFIC MOTOR TRUCKING COMPANY, a)
corporation, for a certificate of)
public convenience and necessity for)
the transportation of property by)
motor truck between San Luis Obispo,)
Casmalia, Tangair, Surf and Lompoc,)
California, on the one hand, and the)
Burton Mesa Army Cantonment.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>OPINION</u>

Pacific Motor Trucking Company here seeks authority to establish and operate a highway common carrier service between San Luis Obispo, Casmalia, Tangair, Surf and Lompoc, on the one hand, and the Burton Mesa Army Cantonment, on the other hand. One round trip daily, except Sundays and holidays, is proposed between San Luis Obispo and the cantonment, with on-call service available between other named termini and said cantonment. Applicant proposes to operate under its own tariff and will also enter into joint rate arrangements with Southern Pacific Company.

This proposed \$25,000,000 cantonment, a part of the National Defense Program, will occupy 90,000 acres of land, will be a major military camp, with facilities for 35,000 men, devoted principally to the training of mechanized forces, and will employ approximately 10,000 men during its period of construction which will commence shortly.

It is alleged that an immediate need exists for the proposed transportation service for the purpose of hauling

construction materials and supplies. Permanent need for the service is assured, according to applicant, in the future transportation of merchandise traffic and subsistence supplies for the camp after its completion.

Pacific Freight Lines and Valley & Coast Transit Company, the only other common carriers of record serving this territory, have, in writing, stated that they would not protest the granting of this application.

This appears to be a matter in the public interest and one not requiring a public hearing. The application will be granted.

ORDER

The Commission being now fully advised and having found that public convenience and necessity so require:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it hereby is granted to Pacific Motor Trucking Company for the establishment and operation of a highway common carrier service, as such is defined in Section 2-3/4 of the Public Utilities Act, between San Luis Obispo, Casmalia, Tangair, Surf and Lompoc, on the one hand, and the Burton Mesa Army Cantonment, on the other hand.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in the operation of said highway common carrier service, Pacific Motor Trucking Company shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

1. File a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof.

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2. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct said highway common carrier service over and along the following routes:

Via U.S. Highways Nos. 101, 150, State Highway No. 1, unnumbered county roads and such other roads as may be lawfully opened to truck operation between termini.

3. Before commencing the service herein authorized, applicant shall comply with the provisions of General Order No. 80 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing tariffs and time schedules in triplicate on at least Office (2) days notice to the Commission and the public.

Pacific Motor Trucking Company, its successors or assigns, may never claim before this Commission, or any court or other public body, a value for the authority hereby granted in excess of the actual cost thereof.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 30 a day

Seplember, 1941.

COMMISSIONERS