

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 34732

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
PACIFIC MOTOR TRUCKING COMPANY for a
certificate of public convenience
and necessity for the transportation
by motor trucks of railroad traffic
in the San Joaquin Valley, etc.

Third Supplemental
Application No. 18699

BY THE COMMISSION:

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Pacific Motor Trucking Company here seeks authority to establish and operate a highway common carrier service to and from Lemoore Airport, a United States Army Air Corps Training Field located adjacent to State Highway No. 198 about three miles east of the rail station of Westhaven on the so-called Coalinga branch of the Southern Pacific Company. This authority is sought as an extension and enlargement of and consolidated with existing highway common carrier operative rights of Pacific Motor Trucking Company authorizing it to serve points located on the Coalinga branch of Southern Pacific Company, as well as between certain other San Joaquin Valley rail points, as authorized by Decision No. 26261, in Application No. 18699, as amended by Decisions Nos. 29848, 30110, 31042, 31822 and 33599.

Applicant proposes to file local tariffs in its own name covering this service and will also perform service in connection with Southern Pacific Company under joint rate arrangements, providing for traffic interchange at all points on Pacific Motor Trucking Company's existing routes as above described.

Lemoore Airport is an intermediate point on applicant's present truck route in this territory but existing authority, which limits traffic handled to that delivered to applicant by Southern Pacific Company, Pacific Motor Transport Company and Railway Express Agency, Inc. at rail points for delivery at other rail points only, with pickup and delivery service authorized within zones specifically named only, necessitates the additional authority here sought if applicant is to perform a common carrier service to Lemoore Airport.

According to applicant, contracts for construction of runways, hangars, a rail spur and one hundred and fifty-two buildings have been awarded for this \$4,500,000 project which will have a complement of approximately 3,000 men when completed. In addition to the movement of materials and supplies during this period of construction there will also be a steady movement of merchandise traffic and subsistence supplies after the field is completed, says this applicant.

Valley Express Co., Valley Motor Lines, Inc. and Pacific Freight Lines, the only common carriers of record serving this territory specifically or generally, have waived objection, in writing, to the granting of this application.

On this record it appears that the proposal of Pacific Motor Trucking Company is in the public interest and the Commission so finds. It does not appear that a public hearing is necessary. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

The Commission having found as a fact that public convenience and necessity so require:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby 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, to and from Lemoore Airport, as an extension and enlargement of and consolidated with its existing rights as heretofore granted by Decision No. 26261, as amended by Decisions Nos. 29848, 30110, 31042, 31882 and 33599, which are hereby deemed to be amended where necessary to permit of the operation of this particular highway common carrier service. In all other respects said decisions are to remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

The foregoing certificate is granted subject to the condition that 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 herein granted in excess of the actual cost thereof.

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

Such roads or highways as may be lawfully available for use to and from the termini here involved.

3. 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 conformity therewith, in triplicate, within sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

The effective date of this order shall be ten (10) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco California, this 4th day
of November, 1941.

M. H. Danner

Justus F. Calamus
Fraunces K. Danner
H. C. Clarke
COMMISSIONERS