

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 34813

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )	
PACIFIC MOTOR TRUCKING COMPANY, a )	
corporation, and of TRONA RAILWAY )	
COMPANY, a corporation, for authority )	
to publish joint rates and establish )	Application No. 24692
a through route between Mojave, )	
California, and Trona, California, )	
and to interchange equipment at )	
Searles, California. )	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This joint application of Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Trona Railway Company, highway common carriers, seeks authority to establish joint rates and through service between points on the lines of both carriers.

Pacific Motor Trucking Company operates a highway common carrier service between Lone Pine and Mojave and certain intermediate points including Searles. This service is co-ordinated with and operated supplemental to that of Southern Pacific Company between the same points, is restricted to the rail stations of said company except at Searles, and is limited to the handling of less-carload rail traffic of Southern Pacific Company, which has had a prior or will have a subsequent rail movement. Traffic of any express corporations duly authorized to operate to or from the foregoing points may also be transported by applicant as an underlying carrier.

Trona Railway Company is authorized to operate as a highway common carrier between Searles and Trona and intermediate points via West End.

(1) Decision No. 33759, dated December 21, 1940, on Application No. 23203.

(2) Decision No. 34678, dated October 21, 1941, on Application No. 24381.

Applicants propose to establish a joint through route between Mojave and Trona, via Searles and in that connection to interchange equipment at Searles. Together with Southern Pacific Company, it is proposed to publish joint through rates to and from Trona and to and from intermediate points which applicants are authorized to serve by virtue of the above mentioned authorities, between Mojave and Trona, to and from points beyond Mojave.

No other common carrier operations are involved or affected by the instant proposal.

Justification for the granting of the authority herein sought is based upon allegations by applicants to the effect that establishment of the service proposed will result in the most economical operation, will eliminate needless delays in transit and additional handling of property attendant upon the current interchange of traffic at Searles, will afford the shipping public through rather than combination rates and will be generally beneficial to both applicants and the public.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The proposal of applicants appearing to be in the public interest, the application will be granted.

#### O R D E R

The Commission now being fully advised in the premises and it having been found as a fact that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED that Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Trona Railway Company be and they hereby are authorized to establish and

maintain joint rates and through service between those points served by Pacific Motor Trucking Company, on the one hand, and those points served by Trona Railway Company, on the other hand, as they have been heretofore authorized by the decisions referred to in the foregoing opinion subject to the restrictions contained therein, and that the point of interchange shall be at Searles.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Trona Railway Company be and they hereby are authorized to interchange equipment at the point of Searles.

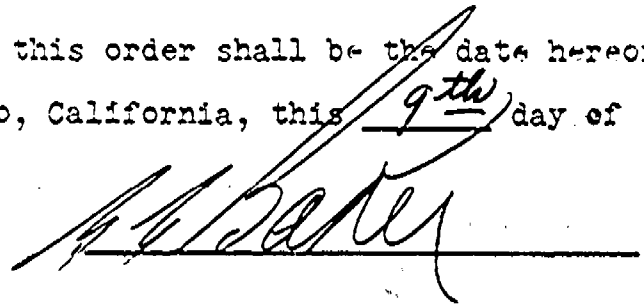
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authority set forth in the preceding ordering paragraph be and it hereby is conditioned upon the compliance with and observance of the following service regulations:

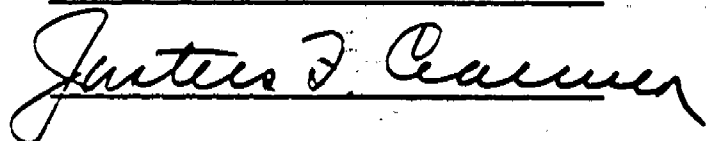
1. Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Trona Railway Company shall comply with Part V of General Order No. 93-A.
2. Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Trona Railway Company shall file with the Commission within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this order and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, an appropriate tariff naming joint rates and through routes as herein authorized and published in a manner satisfactory to the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of

January, 1942.







COMMISSIONERS