Decision No. 32019 ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of JOS. D. SHEEDY DRAYAGE to) charge less than established) minimum rate.

Application No. 24696

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application Jos. D. Sheedy, a city carrier doing business as Jos. D. Sheedy Drayage, seeks authority to transport steel reinforcing bars for Starrett Bros. & Eken Inc. at rates less than the minimum rates established in re Rates of San Francisco City Carriers, 39 C.R.C. 66, as amended. The bars are to be used in the construction of Metropolitan Housing Project No. 4. They will be shipped to San Francisco by railroad and transported by applicant to the construction site, located in drayage Zone 3. Approximately 8,000 tons of material are involved. The minimum rates established for the transportation in question vary according to the drayage zone in which the rail facilities where the bars are transferred from rail cars to trucks are located. These rates are 7 cents per 100 pounds from Zone 1 points and $5\frac{1}{2}$ cents per 100 pounds from Zone. 2 and 3 Applicant seeks authority to apply the 52-cent rate from rail facilities situated in Zone 1.

It is represented that the bars will be received in bundles 40 to 50 feet long, that because of the size and weight of these bundles derricks will be required to transfer them from rail cars to trucks, and that railroad derrick facilities are available only in Zone 1. Transfer of the bars without the use of railroad derricks, applicant claims, could be accomplished by using two of his so-called

"boom trucks," trucks equipped with hoisting apparatus, and this transfer, he points out, could be made at points from which the 5%-cent rate applies. This, it is conceded, would shorten the haul to the construction site. On the other hand, applicant claims he would experience costs in the operation of the "boom trucks" which would more than offset the additional costs of the somewhat longer hauls from railroad derricks. Moreover, applicant's "boom trucks" are said to be engaged in and needed for national defense work. The tonnage involved is substantial. Assertedly, it will move steadily and operations under the proposed 5%-cent rate would be profitable.

Draymen's Association of San Francisco has notified the Commission that it has no objection to the application being granted.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that, under the circumstances here of record, temporary deviation from the established minimum rates should be permitted. The application will be granted. Because the length of time the construction work will be in progress cannot now be determined with any certainty and because of the possibility that changed conditions may require the Commission's further consideration of this matter, the authority will be made to expire one year from the date of the order herein, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended.

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Thorefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Jos. D. Shoedy be and he is hereby authorized to transport steel reinforcing bars for Starrett Bros. & Eken Inc. from points in the City and County of San Francisco at which derrick facilities are maintained by rail lines to the construction site of Metropolitan Housing Project No. 4 in said City and County at rates less than the rates established as minima for that transportation by Decision No. 28632 of March 16, 1936, as amended,

in Case No. 4084, but not less than 5% cents per 100 pounds.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire one year from the date of this order, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day of

January, 1942.

Commissioner