

Decision No. 36237

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of STEPHEN W. BOWMAN to charge) Application No. 24021
less than established minimum rate.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

This application involves rates for the transportation of dry goods, groceries, hardware and other provisions and supplies between Hollister and San Benito and intermediate points. Applicant performs this service, under his highway contract carrier permit, for certain farmers and storekeepers in this territory in connection with his transportation of mail for the United States Government. By previous orders (Decision No. 33980, as amended), in this proceeding, he has been authorized to observe rates less than the established minimum rates for the highway carrier service in question. This authority will expire March 31, 1943. By supplemental application, applicant seeks permission to continue observing, for an indefinite period, lesser rates than those established as minima.

It is represented that the rates proposed to be charged are as high as can be obtained for the transportation involved and that this business would be lost to proprietary carriage if the sought authority is not granted. This traffic, applicant states, is not competitive with other for-hire carriers. It is said to produce revenues of from \$25 to \$40 per month. Under his mail contract, applicant receives \$194.90 per month. His operating expenses, exclusive of remuneration for his services as driver and manager, are

said to amount to \$70 per month. He contends that the additional revenues from the trucking business are essential to reasonably profitable over-all operations.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought authority should be granted for a one-year period.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Stephen W. Bowman be and he is hereby authorized to observe, for the transportation service described in Appendix "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, rates less than the minimum rates established for that transportation but not less than those set forth in said Appendix "A".

This authority shall expire March 31, 1944, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective March 31, 1943.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of March, 1943.

Frank A. Habener
J. H. [unclear]
Justus F. Coe
Richard [unclear]
Merwin [unclear]

Commissioners

APPENDIX "A"

The following rates will apply as minimum for transportation by Stephen W. Bowman as a contract carrier between Hollister and San Benito and intermediate points:

Person or Company for Whose Account Transportation is Performed	Commodities Authorized to be Transported	Rates Authorized to be charged
Paicines Store	groceries dry goods hardware fresh meat	20 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 20 cents per shipment
Model Bakery	bread	1/2 cent per loaf
Unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * groceries * grain and feed * laundry * oil * fresh meat <p>* In shipments weighing not to exceed 150 pounds each</p>	20 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 20 cents per shipment
	ice	<p>5 cents per cake for 20 pound cakes</p> <p>15 cents per cake for 50 pound cakes</p>