Decision No. 36252

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Establishment ) of maximum or minimum, or maximum ) and minimum rates, rules and regu- ) lations of all common carriers as ) defined in the Public Utilities ) Act of the State of California, as ) amended, and all highway carriers ) as defined in Chapter 223, Statutes) of 1935, as amended, for the trans-) portation, for compensation or hire) of any and all commodities.

Case No. 420 RIGINAL

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## SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Valley Express Company, Valley Motor Lines, Inc., Southern Pacific Company, and Pacific Motor Trucking Company are common carriers. All of them serve Crows Landing, Stanislaus County; Southern Pacific Company also serves Pinedale, Fresho County. By petition, these carriers propose to enlarge their pickup and delivery zones at Crows Landing and to extend their present rates to the additional territory. Southern Pacific Company proposes to establish a pickup and delivery zone at Pinedale and to apply the Pinedale basis of rates within that zone. Under these proposals petitioners would, in certain instances, accord rates lower than the minimum rates heretofore prescribed in this proceeding (41 C.R.C. 671, as amended) to the additional territory involved.

It is represented that petitioners have been requested to provide pickup and delivery service for military establishments situated within the proposed zones; that similar service has not been requested and is not required in other territory contiguous to Crows Landing and Pinodale; and that differences between the minimum

rates and those proposed would be relatively few in number and slight in volume.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that, under the circumstances, the granting of the sought authority is justified. This action is not to be construed as a determination of the nature and extent of petitioners' operating authority. Operating rights are not here in issue.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY CRDERED that the petition of Valley Express Company, Valley Motor Lines, Inc., Southern Pacific Company, and Pacific Motor Trucking Company seeking authority to enlarge their pickup and delivery zones at Crows Landing and the petition of Southern Pacific Company seeking authority to establish a pickup and delivery zone at Pinedale be and they are hereby granted; that the aforesaid carriers be and they are hereby authorized to establish, for the transportation involved, rates less than the minimum rates prescribed by Decision No. 31606, as amended, in this proceeding, but not less than those prescribed for like transportation from and to Crows Landing and Pinedale, respectively; and that tariffs filed pursuant to this order may be made effective upon not less than three (3) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 330 gay of

March, 1943.