

Decision No. 36367

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
INDEPENDENT PAPER STOCK COMPANY, for)
authority to charge less than the)
minimum rates established by Deci-)
sion No. 30600, as amended.)

Application No. 22427

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BY THE COMMISSION:

FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 31930 of April 18, 1939, as amended, in this proceeding, applicant has been authorized to transport pulpboard from the plant of Fibreboard Products, Inc. in Vernon to the plant of that company in Southgate at a rate less than the established minimum rate.¹ This authority is scheduled to expire May 18, 1943. By supplemental application its indefinite extension is sought.

Applicant represents that although it has experienced some increases in operating costs since the authority was first granted these increases have not impaired its ability to handle the traffic in issue on a compensatory basis. The increases, it is claimed, have been offset by reductions resulting from the improvement of loading and unloading facilities. In other respects, it is claimed, there has been no material change in the conditions surrounding the transportation. Operations under the authority previously granted are said to have been profitable.

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The authorized rate is 3 cents per 100 pounds and the minimum rate, established by Decision No. 32504 (42 C.R.C. 239), as amended, is 6½ cents per 100 pounds. Both rates are applicable to shipments in minimum quantities of 30,000 pounds.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that, under the circumstances, an extension of the authority is justified. Because the conditions under which this service is rendered may change at any time, the extension will be limited to a one-year period.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted by Decision No. 31930 of April 18, 1939, as amended, in the above entitled application be and it is hereby extended to May 18, 1944, unless sooner changed, cancelled or further extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of
May, 1943.

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Commissioners