Decision No. 36395

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the Application of Walkup Drayage & Warehouse Co., a corporation, for permission under Section 10, City Carriers' Act (Statutes 1935, Chapter 312) to transport property within the City and County of San Francisco at rates less than the minimum rates prescribed for City Carriers by Decision No. 28632, as amended, in Case No. 4084.

Application No. 25595

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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

This application concerns San Francisco drayage service performed by applicant for Butler Brothers, a wholesale distributor of general merchandise. For this service, applicant has been authorized to observe a rate lower than the established minimum rates.

This authorization will expire June 5, 1943. Applicant requests that the authorization be extended for an indefinite period, and that the rate it is permitted to observe be changed from 10 to 11 cents per 100 pounds.

The rate which applicant has been permitted to observe is 10 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 30 cents per shipment, minimum weight 5,000 tons per calendar year. This permission was granted by Decision No. 32010 of May 16, 1939, as amended, in Application No. 22282. The rate thus authorized applies to property of all descriptions and without regard to the type of drayage operation involved, the location of the points of origin and destination and the weight of the shipment. The minimum rates otherwise applicable to this transportation, prescribed by Decision No. 28632 (39 C.R.C. 636), as amended, vary with the type of service and, to a large extent, according to the classification of the property shipped. The class rates so established range from 7 cents per 100 pounds 4th class, minimum weight 6,000 pounds, for intra-zone drayage to 70 cents per shipment for inter-zone shipments weighing 100 pounds or less.

It is represented that since the 10-cent rate was authorized applicant has experienced increased labor costs of approximately 12½ per cent as well as smewhat higher costs for materials and supplies. It claims, however, that the additional revenues which would be derived from the proposed ll-cent rate would offset the increased costs. Assertedly, operations under the proposed rate would be compensatory under present operating conditions.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary, that the proposed modification of applicant's authorization is justified, and that as so modified this authorization should be extended. Due, however, to the possibility that the conditions under which the service involved is rendered may change at any time, the extension will be limited to a one-year period, unless sooner changed, canceled or further extended.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

Company be and it is hereby authorized to transport property for Butler Brothers, within the City and County of San Francisco, at a rate less than the minimum rates established for such transportation by Decision No. 28632, of March 16, 1936, as amended, in Case No. 4084, but not less than 11 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 30 cents per shipment, minimum weight 5,000 tens per calendar year.

The authority herein granted shall expire June 5, 1944, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective June 5, 1943.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this / day of

June, 1943.

Commissioners