Decision No. 36935

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 regulations 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 transportation, for componsation or hire, of any and all commodities.

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Case No. 4246

BY THE COMMISSION:

## SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 32608, as amended, in this proceeding, minimum rates have been prescribed for the transportation of refined petroleum products in bulk in tank equipment. The rate applicable to the transportation of "unfinished gasoline, suitable only for further refining or blending" from Mopeco to Avon is  $26\frac{1}{2}$  cents per 100 pounds. By petition filed March 6, 1944, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and Southern Pacific Company seek authority to reduce this rate to  $22\frac{1}{2}$  cents per 100 pounds on one day's notice.

Associated Oil Company has arranged to purchase a large quantity of "unfinished gasoline" at Mopeco; that it is to be used at Avon as blending stock in the manufacture of 100 octane aviation gasoline for the United States Government; and that the oil company is in a position to transport this gasoline in its own tank trucks at a lower cost than the present rail rate. It is further alleged that the proposed rate is fully compensatory and that its

See Decision No. 35202 of March 31, 1942.

establishment will permit the unfinished gasoline to be moved by rail.

The Tank Truck Operators Association does not object to the proposed rate adjustment.

Under the circumstances, it appears that a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed deviation from the minimum rates is justified. The petition will be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and Southern Pacific Company be and they are hereby authorized to publish and file on not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and to the public a carload rate of 22.5 cents per 100 pounds for the transportation, in tank cars, of unfinished gasoline, suitable only for further refining or blending, from Mopeco to Avon.

In all other respects Decision No. 32608, as amended, in this proceeding, shall remain in full force and effect.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this \_\_\_\_\_day of

March, 1944.

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