

Decision No. 37557

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
certain railroads (and connecting)	
highway carriers and water lines))	Application No. 24670
for authority to increase their)	
rates, fares and charges (1942).)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 36341 (44 C.R.C. 683), as amended, in this proceeding, California rail lines and certain connecting vessel and highway carriers were authorized to suspend, until January 1, 1945, the increased freight rates and charges they had theretofore been permitted to establish by Decision No. 35271 (44 C.R.C. 145).¹ On December 13, 1944, the Interstate Commerce Commission extended its suspension of similar increases on interstate traffic to and including December 31, 1945, by an order entered in Ex Parte 148, Increased Railway Rates, Fares and Charges, 1942. Applicants ask that a like extension be authorized on intrastate traffic.

It appears that a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed further suspension of the increases is justified and should be authorized.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

¹ With certain exceptions, the increases in question were 6% on property generally and 3% on basic raw products of agriculture, animal products, and products of mines.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that California rail lines and connecting highway carriers and water lines be and they are hereby authorized to extend the suspension of increased freight rates and charges established pursuant to the authority granted by Decision No. 35271 of April 14, 1942, in this proceeding, until January 1, 1946; and to publish and file tariffs establishing the further suspension herein authorized on not less than one (1) day's notice to the public and to the Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of December, 1944.

Richard Lachse
Arthur F. Craven
Francis R. Havens
William R. Fox
Walter L. Quinn
Commissioners