

Decision No. 38427

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)
for authority to increase their rates,
fares and charges (1942).

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Application No. 24670

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BY THE COMMISSION:

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Decision No. 36341 (44 C.R.C. 683), as amended, in this proceeding, authorized rail lines and certain connecting vessel and highway common carriers to suspend until January 1, 1946, the increased freight rates and charges they had been permitted to establish by Decision No. 35271 (44 C.R.C. 145)¹. On October 30, 1945, the Interstate Commerce Commission by entry of an order in Ex Parte No. 148; Increased Railway Rates, Fares, and Charges, 1942, further suspended similar increases on interstate traffic until a date 6 months after the legal termination of the war. Authority for a like suspension on intrastate traffic is now sought.

In view of our prior decisions in this proceeding and applicants' desire, in the interests of uniformity, to effect the same suspension on California intrastate traffic as on interstate traffic, it appears that a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed further suspension is justified and should be authorized.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that California rail lines and connecting vessel and highway common carriers be and they are hereby

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The increases in question, with certain exceptions, were 6 per cent. on property generally and 3 per cent on basic raw products of agriculture, animal products, and products of mines.

authorized to suspend further the increased freight rates and charges established pursuant to the authority granted by Decision No. 35271 of April 14, 1942, in this proceeding, until a date six (6) months after the legal termination of the war; and to publish and file tariffs establishing the further suspension herein authorized on not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and the public.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of November, 1945.

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 Commissioners