

Decision No. 38743

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 Ira P. Lamb for permission to charge)
 other than minimum rates on grain,) Application No. 21911
 grain products and related commodities.)

ORIGINALSUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

For reasons set forth in Decision No. 30938 of May 31, 1938, as amended, in this proceeding, applicant has been authorized to transport grain, grain products and related commodities at rates less than the minimum rates otherwise applicable. This authority is limited to transportation service performed for General Mills, Inc. - Sperry Division, and is restricted to operations within specified territory in southern California. It will expire March 11, 1946. Extension of the authority for 60 days is now sought.

Applicant points out that the rate level authorized to be observed for this transportation in 1938 was raised 15 per cent in 1942 and that this rate increase was necessary to offset higher operating costs. He represents that there have been further increases in costs but that other conditions have not changed materially. His study of revenues and expenses under prevailing conditions indicates that rates 24 per cent higher than the 1938 level are now necessary to permit him to provide the service on a profitable basis. Applicant proposes to increase his charges accordingly. He has applied to the Office of Price Administration for authority to do so. Upon its disposition of his request he will ask for further consideration of the matter by the Commission.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed extension should be authorized.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that expiration date of the authority granted Ira P. Lamb by Decision No. 30938 of May 31, 1938, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to May 11, 1946, unless sooner changed, canceled or further extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective March 11, 1946.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of March, 1946.

Harold Ordway

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Commissioners