

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 39374

## BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 Stephen W. Bowman to charge less ) Application No. 27781  
 than established minimum rate. )

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Stephen W. Bowman, a highway contract carrier, seeks authority to charge less than the minimum rates established by Decision No. 31606, as amended, in Case No. 4246, in re Rates of All Common and Highway Carriers in connection with the transportation of dry goods, groceries, hardware and other provisions and supplies between Hollister and San Benito and intermediate points. The authority sought is the same as that granted to applicant by Decision No. 36230 dated March 16, 1943 in Application No. 24021 and which elapsed on March 31, 1944.

The verified application shows that the transportation involved is performed for certain farmers and storekeepers in connection with applicant's mail route operated under contract with the United States Government; that the revenue derived from this transportation averages between \$25 and \$30 per month; that this revenue is essential to the operation of his mail contract for which he receives \$195 per month; that the rates proposed are as high as can be obtained for the transportation in question; and that unless the authority sought is granted, his customers would transport their own supplies. The application alleges further that this traffic is not competitive with other for-hire carriers.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing

is not necessary and that the relief sought is justified under present conditions. Due to the possibility that these conditions may change at any time, the authority will be limited to a period of one (1) year and made subject to earlier cancellation, modification or extension by appropriate order of the Commission.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Stephen W. Bowman be, and he is hereby authorized to transport property as a highway contract carrier at rates less than the established minimum rates but not less than the rates set forth in Appendix "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire one (1) year from the effective date of this order unless sooner cancelled, changed or extended by appropriate order of the Commission.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 1946.

Harold A. Hills

Justice F. Coe

Franklin D. ...

Robert ...

R. F. ...

Commissioners

APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION NO. 39374  
 IN APPLICATION NO. 27781

The following rates will apply as minimum for transportation by Stephen W. Bowman as a contract carrier between Hollister and San Benito and intermediate points:

Person or Company for Whose Account Transportation is Performed	Commodities Authorized to be Transported	Rates Authorized to be charged
Paicines Store	groceries dry goods hardware fresh meat	20 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 20 cents per shipment
Model Bakery	bread	1/2 cent per loaf
Unspecified	*groceries *grain and feed *laundry *oil *fresh meat  *In shipments weighing not to exceed 150 pounds each	20 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge 20 cents per shipment
	ice	5 cents per cake for 20 pound cakes  15 cents per cake for 50 pound cakes

(END OF APPENDIX)