

Decision No. 40012

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 20th Century Delivery Service, Inc.,)
 for authority to establish an addi-) Application No. 28213
 tional charge on heavy or oversized)
 packages:)

OPINION AND ORDER**ORIGINAL**

Twentieth Century Delivery Service, an express corporation, conducts a parcel delivery service from Los Angeles, Long Beach and Pasadena to points in the adjacent territory. By verified application, authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice; an additional charge of one-half cent per pound on packages weighing in excess of 25 pounds, except in connection with retail parcel delivery service; and a minimum charge based upon a weight of 50 pounds for the transportation of packages having a combined length and girth in excess of 84 inches.

Applicant operates over the lines of United Parcel Service of Los Angeles, Inc. By Decision No. 39765 in Application No. 27756, the Commission recently authorized United to establish increases identical to those here sought. In that proceeding it was shown that United's service and operating facilities were designed primarily for small light packages; that recent increases in truck rates had caused a diversion of heavy packages theretofore moving via truck lines to United to the extent that they constituted a threat to the continuance of its own specialized delivery service; and that the rate increases it was authorized to establish would return the heavier and larger packages to normal truck channels.

Applicant states that the reasons found by the Commission to justify similar increases in the rates of United apply here with

equal force, since the packages it handles move in practically all cases through the terminal facilities of the underlying carrier, that the sought authority will restore rate parity between applicant and United, and that it will carry out the purposes for which rate relief was accorded the underlying carrier.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The sought authority is consistent with that granted by Decision No: 39765, supra, and is justified.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that 20th Century Delivery Service, Inc. be and it is hereby authorized to establish an additional charge of one-half cent per pound on packages weighing in excess of twenty-five (25) pounds, except in connection with transportation subject to Item No. 190 of applicant's Local Express Tariff C.R.C. No.6; to amend the oversize rule in said tariff to provide that the minimum charge for a package over 84 inches in length and girth combined will be the charge provided in the applicable rate item for a package weighing 50 pounds; and that tariff filings made pursuant to this order may be made effective on not less than fifteen (15) days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

The effective date of this order shall be ten (10) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of March, 1947.

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James J. Craven
W. H. Russell
R. J. [unclear]
George D. Patten
 Commissioners