

Decision No. 41727

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of J. A. Clark Draying Company,)
Ltd., a corporation, for Relief)
from Observance of Minimum rates)
Established by Decision No. 29480)
as modified by Decision No. 29592.)

Application No. 21087
(10th Supplemental)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By virtue of prior orders in this proceeding, applicant has been authorized to deviate from the established minimum rates for the transportation of iron and steel articles for Columbia Steel Company from Torrance to points within a twenty-mile radius of that city. This authority is scheduled to expire on July 12, 1948. A one-year extension on a modified basis is now sought.

The verified supplemental application shows that, since this matter was last considered a year ago, there has been no substantial change in the general conditions under which the transportation is performed; that the rates currently being observed are those authorized by Decision No. 40354 of June 3, 1947, as increased by approximately 20 per cent; that this increase was made necessary by higher operating expenses experienced during the past year; and that, as so increased, the rates in question have returned the full costs of service plus a reasonable profit. Applicant believes that the present volume of traffic and frequency of shipments will continue to prevail during the coming year. It alleges that the sought basis of rates will produce revenues equal to or in excess of those which would result from the application of the corresponding minimum rates.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the granting of the supplemental application is justified.

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Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Appendix "A" of Decision No. 29786 of May 24, 1937, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby further amended by substituting \$1.60 as the minimum charge provided in Item No. 20 thereof, and by substituting the following for Item No. 30 thereof:

Item No. 30 - Rates

| <u>Minimum Weight</u> | <u>Rates in Cents per 100 pounds</u> |
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| Any quantity | 16 |
| 10,000 pounds | 11½ |

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the expiration date of Decision No. 34400 of July 8, 1941, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to July 12, 1949, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective July 12, 1948.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of June, 1948.

R. F. Donohue
Justus F. Cracum
Frank L. Powell
Harold P. Hill
Samuel Pottier
Commissioners