Decision No. 42009

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of certain railroads, connecting highway carriers, and connecting water lines for authority to increase freight rates and charges (1947).

Application No. 28744 (3rd Supplemental)

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Frior orders in this proceeding authorized applicants to increase their intrastate freight rates and charges. These adjustments were generally similar to the increases on interstate traffic within western territory granted by interim orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission in Ex Parte No. 166, Increased Freight Rates, 1947. By final order dated July 27, 1948, as amended, the Interstate Commerce Commission modified the interstate adjustments theretofore authorized. Both increases and reductions were involved. By supplemental application filed August 19, 1948, applicants propose to make like changes in their California intrastate rates and charges.

The proposal involves no change in the basic increase of 20 per cent heretofore authorized; it deals only with the level of the "maximum increases" for various commodities and with a further increase of approximately 5 per cent in charges for perishable protective services. Most of the proposed changes are reductions. The sought increases are in rates of relatively high volume under which California intrastate traffic is not ordinarily moved. The further increase in perishable protective service charges is designed to bring these charges to the level found reasonable and necessary

See Decisions Nos. 40892 of November 12, 1947, 41221 of February 17, 1948, and 41746 of June 22, 1948.

for nation-wide application in Ex Parte No. 166, supra.

Interested parties have been notified of the filing of the supplemental application and have offered no objection to its being granted.

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

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the increases sought in the above entitled supplemental application be and they are hereby granted; and that the increases and reductions proposed therein may be established within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, subject, in other respects, to the terms, permissions and conditions set forth in Decision No. 41221 of February 17, 1948, in this proceeding.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that upon the effectiveness of the increases herein authorized, the increases granted by Decision No. 41746 of June 22, 1948, in this proceeding, shall be abrogated and superseded.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3/ day of August, 1948.

Land Former Lotter