Decision No. 42107

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of AMERICAN STEVEDORE COMPANY, a corporation, and MEL MOUSER, and ED DeLAUGHTER, a copartnership, doing business as UNITED CARRIER SERVICE, for authorization to charge less than minimum rates prescribed for the transportation of lumber and forest products and walllboard between San Francisco and San Jose and points intermediate thereto.

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Application No. 29717

OPINION AND ORDER

This application involves rates for the transportation of lumber, forest products and wallboard by "gantry truck" for distances of 10 miles or less in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties. These operations were considered in Decision No. 40615 of August 19, 1947, in Application No. 28581, which authorized observance of rates lower than the minimum rates. This authority expired September 8, 1948. Applicants seek its reinstatement. They propose, however, that the authorized rates be increased by 25 cents per 1,000 board feet. The verified application shows that the general conditions surrounding this transportation have not changed materially since the matter was considered a year ago, and that the 25-cent increase is necessary to offset increased operating expenses subsequently experienced.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary, and that the granting of the sought authority is justified. Because the conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the authorization will be limited to a one-year period and will be made subject to earlier cancellation, change or extension.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that American Stevedore Company, a corporation, and Mel Mouser and Ed DeLaughter, a copartnership doing business as United Carrier Service, be and they are hereby authorized to assess for the transportation by "gantry trucks" of shipments of lumber, forest products and wallboard moving not in excess of ten (10) miles within San Mateo or Santa Clara Counties or between said Counties, rates less than those prescribed as minima by Decision No. 31606, as amended, in Case No. 4246, but not less than the following rates subject to a minimum of 3,000 hoard feet per shipment:

Miles		Rates in Cents per
<u>Over</u>	But Not Over	1,000 Board Feet
012468	1 2 4 6 8	150 175 200 225 250

This authority shall expire one (1) year from the effective date hereof, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 50 day of October, 1948.

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Commissioners