

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 42573

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Petition of)	
John Doudell for relief under)	
Section Eleven (11) of the Highway)	
Carriers' Act from minimum rates)	Application No. 29063
applicable to transportation of)	(Third Supplemental)
liquid petroleum products, namely,)	
crude oil and distillate fuel oil)	
between points in the State of)	
California.)	

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant transports crude oil for Tide Water Associated Oil Company from wells near Zaca to Santa Maria and points within a five-mile radius of that city. He also transports distillate on return trips. Decision No. 41299 of March 9, 1948, as amended, in this proceeding, authorized him to deviate from the established minimum rates by observing a rate of not less than 15 cents per barrel for this transportation. The authority is scheduled to expire March 9, 1949. Applicant proposes to continue these operations under a rate of 11 cents per barrel.

The verified application shows that the transportation involved is performed under better-than-average conditions, and that there has been a substantial increase in the volume of this traffic since the 15-cent rate was authorized. Revenue and expense estimates submitted by applicant disclose that operations under the proposed 11-cent rate may reasonably be expected to be profitable. It is represented that this lower rate is necessary to avoid diversion of the traffic to proprietary operations.

Competing carriers were notified of applicant's proposals. No objection has been offered.

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 authority will be limited to a one-year period. The order will be made effective March 9, 1949, so that there will be no lapse in applicant's authority to deviate from the minimum rates.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Decision No. 4-1299 of March 9, 1948, in this proceeding, as amended, be and it is hereby further amended by substituting in the ordering paragraph thereof the words "but not less than eleven (11) cents per 42-gallon barrel" for the words "but not less than fifteen (15) cents per 42-gallon barrel;" and that the expiration date of said Decision No. 4-1299, as amended, be and it is hereby extended to March 9, 1950, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective March 9, 1949.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of March, 1949.

R. J. [Signature]

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Commissioners