

Decision No. 44030

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Pope & Talbot, Inc. for an order )  
revoking operative rights and )  
canceling tariffs. )

Application No. 31220

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OPINION AND ORDER

In this application, Pope & Talbot, Inc. asks the Commission to revoke its common carrier operative rights and to cancel its tariffs. The rights involved were acquired from McCormick Steamship Company.<sup>1</sup> They cover common carrier by vessel service between San Francisco Bay Area ports and southern California ports and between Los Angeles Harbor and Long Beach, on the one hand, and San Diego, on the other.<sup>2</sup> Applicant's rates for this transportation, as well as for terminal services at the ports, are named in tariffs on file with the Commission. It desires to be relieved of all its duties and responsibilities as a common carrier subject to the Public Utilities Act.

The verified application shows that, under conditions which have prevailed for some time, applicant has been unable to compete with land carriers providing service between the points involved; and that, aside from the transportation and incidental handling of one or two shipments of articles too great in size for the land carriers, there has been no demand for applicant's services for the past several years.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that as applicant has requested its operative

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<sup>1</sup> See Decision No. 33696 of December 3, 1940, as amended, in Application No. 23822 (unreported).

<sup>2</sup> These rights are more specifically described in Decision No. 33548 of October 1, 1940, in Case No. 4394 (43 C.R.C. 50).

rights should be revoked and its tariffs canceled. Applicant has issued powers of attorney and concurrences in connection with tariff filings made on its behalf. They should likewise be canceled.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all operative rights as a common carrier subject to the Public Utilities Act held by Pope & Talbot, Inc., a corporation, be and they are hereby revoked; and that all common carrier tariffs, powers of attorney and concurrences of said corporation be and they are hereby canceled.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1950.

R. Z. Johnson  
Justin J. O'Connell  
David L. Russell  
Harold P. Hule  
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Commissioners