

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 44512

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation)
into the rates, rules, regulations,)
charges, allowances and practices)
of all common carriers, highway)
carriers and city carriers relating)
to the transportation of property.)

Case No. 4808

Appearances

Willard S. Johnson, William Larimore,
Clair W. McLeod and John E. Meyers,
for petitioner, Durkee Famous Foods
Division of The Glidden Company, and
for Hills Transportation Company.

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 2 (Appendix "D" to Decision No. 31606, as amended) contains minimum rates for the transportation of general commodities by common and highway carriers. It provides a commodity rate on lard, lard substitutes and various other designated articles applicable to shipments of 30,000 pounds or more between the San Francisco Bay and Sacramento areas, on the one hand, and the Los Angeles metropolitan area, on the other hand. These commodities are thus accorded a lower basis of charges than the various class rate bases which would otherwise be applicable. By petition, The Glidden Company proposes that vegetable oil shortening be specifically listed in the tariff item providing the commodity rate.

A public hearing was had at San Francisco before Examiner Mulgrew, on June 19, 1950.

Vegetable oil shortening is a lard substitute. It is marketed in direct competition with lard and other lard substitutes. In density, value, packaging, and susceptibility to damage, shortening

is comparable to lard and other substitutes. All of these commodities possess generally similar transportation characteristics.

Numerous tariffs providing ratings and rates of wide application throughout the West, including California tariffs, list vegetable oil shortening along with lard and lard substitutes. Where this has not been done, errors and misunderstandings have occurred. They have stemmed from the failure of the carrier personnel involved in rating the freight to recognize vegetable oil shortening as being properly subject to rates provided under the tariff description "lard substitutes."

Hills Transportation Company supported and no one opposed granting of the petition.

The proposed addition of vegetable oil shortening to the list of commodities covered by the rate involved has been shown to be justified in the interest of tariff uniformity and clarity. The petition will be granted.

In the last revision of the tariff item in question boracic acid was inadvertently omitted. The necessary correction will be made.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 2 (Appendix "D" to Decision No. 31606, as amended) be and it is hereby further amended by incorporating therein Seventh Revised Page 9 cancels Sixth Revised Page 9 and Fifth Revised Page 64 cancels Fourth Revised Page 64, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, to become effective August 10, 1950; and that any tariff publications of common carrier respondents filed pursuant to this order may be made effective not earlier than August 10, 1950, and on

INDEX OF COMMODITIES (Concluded)

COMMODITY	Item Number	COMMODITY	Item Number
Shoes, Casing	365	Temper Screws	365
Shook, box or crate	660,690	Templates, Box and Pin	365
Shortening	360	Thief Hole Covers	365
Shorts	652,652½,654	Ties, railroad	660,690
Shrock Kaffir	652,652½,654	Timbers, mining	660,690
Sideboards	660,690	Timbers, rough	660,690
Silo Material, wooden	660,690	Tongs, pipe	365
Sinkboards	660,690	Tonics	600
Sink Sets	660,690	Tools,Drilling or Fishing	365
Skimmings	652,652½,654	Tools, Mechanics (M)	365
Slips	365	Towers, Atmospheric Water Cooling	(M) 365,660,690
Smokestacks (M)	365	Trucks, Steam Boiler (M)	365
Soap	730	Tubes, Boiler	365
Soap, liquid	723-727,730	Tubing, iron or steel, Plate or Sheet, Cast or Wrought	365
Soap Powder	730	Tubs, Cooling	365
Soda (Beverage)	600	Underreamers	365
Soda, Washing	730	Valves (M)	365
Solvent (M)	723-727	Valves, Pump Working Barrel	365
Solvent, Drain pipe	730	Varnish	377
Soups	(1)	*Vegetable Oil Shortening	730
Spaghetti (M)	653,654	Vegetables (not dehydrated, dried, evaporated nor fresh)	(1)
Spaghetti, except canned	360	Veneering	660,690
Spaghetti (prepared)	(1)	Vermicelli (M)	653,654
Spelt	652,652½,654	Vermicelli, except canned	360
Spices	360	Vermicelli (prepared)	(1)
Spiders	365	Vinegar	(1)
Spindles	660,690	Wagons, Casing or Bit	365
Sprouts, Malt	652,652½,654	Wainscoting	660,690
Spudding Shoes and Rings	365	Washing powders	730
Stain, wood (M)	723-727	Washing soda	730
Stair Work	660,690	Water as described	600
Stakes	660,690	Wax, automobile, boat, floor or furniture (M)	723-727
Starch, liquid	730	Wedges	365,660,690
Staves	660,690	Wedges, mine	660,690
Steam Boiler Trucks (M)	365	Welsh Rarebit	(1)
Steel, plate or sheet (M)	365	Wheat	652,652½,654
Steps, pole, wooden	660,690	Wheat, Egyptian	652,652½,654
Stirrups, Disconnecting	365	Wheels, Band, Bull or Calf	365
Stock, battery separator	660,690	Window Seats	660,690
Stools, Window	660,690	Wine	400
Stout	310,360,600	Wire Rope (M)	365
Straw	657,658	Wobblers	365
Sugar	360,390,740,750	Wrenches	365
Swabs	365	Yeast	360
Swivels, Hydraulic Rotary	365		
Syrup	(1)		
Syrup, Fruit	360		
Syrup, grape juice	600		
Syrup, Malt	360,600		
Tank Material, wooden	660,690		
Tanks, Iron or Steel (M)	365		
Tanks, oil and gas separating (M)	365		
Tank Steel (M)	365		
Tapioca	360		
Tapioca (M)	653,654		
Tea	360		
Telephone Cabinets	660,690		

(L) See "Canned Goods and Other Articles as described in Item No. 610 series."
(M) Denotes articles on which application of rates is limited to mixed shipments.

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Item No.	SECTION NO. 3	COMMODITY RATES (Continued) In Cents per 100 Pounds		
	COMMODITY	BETWEEN	AND	RATE
*730-D Cancels 730-C	Soap, Lard, and Related Articles, viz.: Acid, Boracic, Borax (Sodium Borate), Compounds, Cleaning, Scouring or Washing, Disinfectants, other than medicinal, Drain Pipe Solvent, Lime, Chlorinated (Chloride of Lime Bleach or Bleaching Powder), Lye, concentrated, Soap, Soap Chips, Soap, liquid, Soap Powder, Sodium (Soda), viz.: washing Soda (washing crystals), washing Powders, Lard, solid, not otherwise specified, Lard Substitutes, not otherwise specified, Oil, cooking, Oil, salad, Vegetable Oil Shortening -----Minimum Weight 30,000 Pounds	SAN FRAN- CISCO TERRI- TORY as described in Item No. 270 series. SACRA- MENTO (See Item No. 260 series)	LOS AN- GELES BASIN TERRI- TORY as described in Item No. 270 series	(1) (2) 37
	(1) Subject to Item No. 900 series. (2) When accessorial services are rendered by carrier in connection with shipments moving under rates in this item the following charges shall be in addition to rate shown: (a) When refrigeration service is furnished, an additional charge shall be made of not less than 2½ cents per 100 pounds. (b) For loading or unloading other than tailgate loading or tailgate unloading — 3 cents per 100 pounds. (c) For other accessorial charges, see Items Nos. 140 and 180 series.			
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not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public if made effective on that date.

In all other respects said Decision No. 31606, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of July, 1950.

R. E. Dinterman
Justin F. Craven
Grant Lowell
Harold Kula
Herbert Patten
Commissioners