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Decision No. 44692

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ) EDGAR H. COMPTON for a certificate of ) public convenience and necessity to ) operate as an irregular route petroleum) carrier.

Application No. 31212

## <u>O P I N I O N</u>

The applicant herein requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a petroleum irregular route carrier throughout the state for the transportation of petroleum and petroleum products in tank trucks and tank trailers, pursuant to the provisions of Section 50-3/4 of the Public Utilities Act, as amended by Statutes 1949, Chapter 1399.

The amendment referred to provides, among other things, that, in the event a petroleum irregular route carrier was, on September 1, 1949, and thereafter, operating under a permit as a radial highway common carrier, and shall file an application within 180 days after the amendment takes effect, the Commission shall issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity without further proceedings; and such certificate shall authorize the carrier to engage in such operations as it was authorized to conduct on September 1, 1949.

The above application alleges that applicant has been continuously, since October 4, 1949, and now is, the holder of a radial highway common carrier permit, and transporting petroleum and

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petroleum products in bulk, pursuant to said permit. The application was filed within the time required by law, but the application shows, on the face thereof, and the records of the Commission substantiate, that applicant was not, on September 1, 1949, and continuously thereafter, operating under a permit as a radial highway common carrier. The application alleges, and the records of the Commission show, that applicant did not receive a permit to operate as a radial highway common carrier until October 4, 1949.

Applicant, under the provisions of Section 50 3/4 of the Public Utilities Act, as amended by Statutes of 1949, Chapter 1399, not being entitled to a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a petroleum irregular route carrier by virtue of operations conducted on September 1, 1949, and thereafter, a hearing on the application was necessary. The hearing on the application was set for, and held on, August 7, 1950, at 10 a.M., Defore Examiner Syphers, in Los Angeles. The applicant was duly notified of the time and place of the hearing. Neither applicant nor his representative appeared thereat and the matter was submitted.

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Edgar H. Compton, having filed the above-entitled application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a service as a petroleum irregular route carrier, as defined in Section 2 3/4 of the Public Utilities Act, as amended by Statutes 1949, Chapter 1399; the said application and records of the Commission showing that applicant was not, on September 1, 1949, and thereafter, operating as a radial highway common carrier; a hearing

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on the application being necessary and notice of the time and place of said hearing having been given to applicant, and applicant having failed to appear at said time and place,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Application No. 31212, of Edgar H. Compton, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a petroleum irregular route carrier, be, and it hereby is, dismissed.

Dated at Saudinaucisco, California, this 27Md <u>Mugust</u>, 1950. day of

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