

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 45266

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 ) Case No. 4808  
 carriers and city carriers relating )  
 to the transportation of property. )

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Los Angeles Trona Stages, Inc., conducts operations as a passenger stage corporation between Los Angeles and San Bernardino on the one hand and Trona and intermediate points on the other hand. It is authorized to handle express shipments limited to 100 pounds or less in weight. By petition filed January 8, 1951, exemption from the minimum rates in connection with this express traffic is sought. Petitioner claims that the requirement of observing classification ratings causes undue and unnecessary expense in view of the circumstances and conditions surrounding the operations. The volume of petitioner's express traffic is small. The service is incidental to the passenger stage operations, is similar to the express service of other passenger stage corporations which have heretofore been granted exemption from the minimum rates, and is unlike and not competitive with the service provided by carriers of general freight.

Other carriers operating between the points involved have been notified of the filing of the petition. No objections have been offered to its being granted.

It appears that in the circumstances the sought authority is justified and should be granted.

A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Decision No. 31606, in Case No. 4246, as amended, be and it is hereby further amended, by adding Los Angeles Trona Stages, Inc., to the list of carriers contained in paragraph (c) of Finding No. 14 thereof, but restricted to shipments transported between points now covered by petitioner's Local Express Tariff Cal.P.U.C. No. 2.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of January, 1951.

*R. J. Anderson*  
*Justice F. Coleman*  
*Harold P. Hills*  
*Herbert H. Hottel*  
Commissioners