BEFORE THE FUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of A. D. PAXTON and J. C. PETERS, a copartnership doing business as DELAIR TRUCK CO., for authority to charge less than minimum rates under Sections 10 and 11 of the City Carriers' Act and the Highway Carriers' Act, respectively, for the transportation of iron and steel articles and other commodities for Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corporation and Bethlehem Supply Company.

Application No. 29891 (2nd Supplemental)

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants transport iron and steel articles and other commodities for the Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corporation and Bethlehem Supply Company. By Decision No. 42551 of February 23, 1949, as amended, in this proceeding, applicants were authorized to deviate from the minimum rates otherwise applicable to this transportation by observing rates not lower than one-half cent per one hundred pounds less than the minimum rates in effect on January 10, 1949. The authority is limited to the transportation performed between the manufacturing plants of the above companies and points within a radius of 25 constructive miles of First and Main Streets, Los Angeles. It is scheduled to expire March 15, 1951. Permission thereafter to continue to observe the authorized rates for a further one-year period is now sought.

The verified supplemental application shows that the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified deviation from the minimum rates generally still obtain; that increased costs since experienced have been offset by greater efficiency

and increased volume of traffic; that operations under the authorized rates have been profitable; and that the continued application of these rates may reasonably be expected to be profitable during the ensuing year.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought extension of applicants' authority is justified and should be granted. To prevent a lapse of that authority, the order herein will be made effective March 15, 1951.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted by Decision No. 42551 of February 23, 1949, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to March 15, 1952, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective March 15, 1951.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this _______ day of

February, 1951.

Commissioners