A.26241 SJ ORIGIMA Decision No. 45798 REFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Fortier Transportation Co., for authority to depart from the rates, rules and regulations of Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 2, under the provisions of the Highway Carriers' Act.

Application No. 26241 (Eighth Supplemental)

NINTH SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant transports groceries for Better Buy Grocery Company from Fresno to retail stores within a 120-mile radius of that city. Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized deviation from the minimum rates otherwise applicable to this transportation. This authority expires June 30, 1951. Applicant now seeks authority thereafter to deviate from the minimum rates and to continue to observe its present rates for a further one-year period.

The verified supplemental application shows that the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified deviation from the minimum rates still obtain; that operations under the authorized rates have been profitable during the past year; and that the continued application of those rates may reasonably be expected to result in profitable operations for the ensuing year.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the granting of the sought extension is justified.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted by Decision No. 37338 of September 30, 1944, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to June 30, 1952, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 5th day of June, 1951.

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