

Decision No. 46102

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
PACIFIC MOTOR TRUCKING COMPANY, a )  
corporation, and of SIERRA RAILROAD )  
COMPANY, a corporation, for authority )  
to publish joint rates and establish )  
through routes between points on )  
existing routes of said carriers and )  
to interchange equipment at Oakdale, )  
California. )

Application No. 32563

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers. They seek authority to establish through service and joint rates and to interchange equipment. Pacific Motor Trucking Company is an affiliate of Southern Pacific Company, a common carrier by railroad. Sierra Railroad Company operates both as a highway carrier and a rail line.

The verified application, as amended, shows that Pacific Motor is now performing a substitute truck service between Tracy and Oakdale for Southern Pacific; that at Oakdale shipments moving between Southern Pacific and Sierra points are transferred between Pacific Motor's trucks and Sierra's rail cars; that applicants propose to have shipments moving between Tracy and Sierra points handled over the entire route by truck in order to speed up transit time and to eliminate transfer costs; that to accomplish this Pacific Motor proposes to lease truck equipment to Sierra under an agreement meeting the requirements of General Order No. 93-A. The joint rates proposed to be established are the same as the rates now maintained for rail transportation from and to Sierra points.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection has been offered as to its being granted.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the granting of the sought authority is not adverse to the public interest. The application will be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Sierra Railroad Company be and they are hereby authorized, within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this order and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to establish the through service and joint rates proposed in this application, as amended; and to interchange equipment at Oakdale under a lease agreement conforming with the requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 93-A.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to depart from the provisions of Tariff Circular No. 2, General Order No. 80, Section 24(a) of the Public Utilities Act and Article XII, Section 21 of the Constitution of the State of California, to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates authorized herein.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of August, 1951.

R. I. Anderson  
Harold J. Green  
Harold P. Hule  
John E. Marshall  
Frederick H. Little  
Commissioners