

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 46942

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of A. W. WAY, dba WAY'S REDWOOD)
EMPIRE FREIGHT LINES, and GEORGE S.)
BUTLER and MARJORIE E. BUTLER, dba)
BUTLER FREIGHT SERVICE, to estab-)
lish joint through rates.)

Application No. 33237

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of property. Way's Redwood Empire Freight Lines provides service between San Francisco, South San Francisco, East Bay points, Santa Rosa and Willits, on the one hand, and points Garberville and north to Arcata, including Eureka, on the other hand. Butler Freight Service operates between Eureka and Crescent City. By this application Way and Butler seek authority to establish joint rates, on five days' notice to the Commission and the public.

The proposed rates are the same as the established minimum rates, except that the 5th class truckload rates would also be observed on commodities subject to lower truckload rates under the minimum rate structure.

Service over applicants' lines between the points involved is now subject to combinations of their local rates. These combination rates, applicants represent, are higher than competing carriers' rates and the established minimum rates. They assert that granting of the sought authority would enable them to adjust their rates to the levels maintained for like transportation by other carriers.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objections have been received.

It appears that the establishment of joint rates as proposed is not adverse to the public interest and is justified. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish the joint through highway common carrier rates proposed in the above-entitled application, on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the rates authorized herein are made effective within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of April, 1952.

A. J. [Signature]
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Commissioners