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Decision No. <u>47288</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of FORTIER TRANSPORTATION COMPANY,) a corporation, 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 (Ninth Supplemental)

TENTH 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 it to deviate from the established minimum rates by classifying individual shipments on a fixed percentage basis in lieu of on the actual consist of the shipments and by observing a flat rate in cents per 100 pounds for split deliveries in place of the varying charges otherwise applicable. The authority is scheduled to expire June 30, 1952. Permission is now sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates for a further one-year period.

The verified supplemental application shows that in general the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified deviation from the minimum rates still obtain; and that operations under the authorized rates may reasonably be expected to be profitable 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. To prevent a lapse of applicant's authority the order will be made effective June 30, 1952.

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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, 1953, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective June 30, 1952. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>174</u> day of June, 1952.

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