

Decision No. 47605

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
John W. Doudell for authority to charge )  
less than minimum rates as established )  
by Decision 36208, Cases 4246 and 4434, )  
as amended, for the transportation of )  
petroleum and petroleum products within )  
the State of California. )

Application No. 32585  
(1st Supplemental)

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant operates as a common carrier of bulk petroleum and petroleum products. By Decision No. 46084 of August 14, 1951, in this proceeding, he was authorized to publish rates lower than the established minimum rates for the transportation of crude oil and distillate fuel oil between certain specified points. The published rates expire September 3, 1952.

By supplemental application, filed August 8, 1952, permission is sought to continue to observe rates lower than the minimum rates for the transportation in question. Applicant proposes, however, to increase the rates presently authorized by 9 percent.

The verified supplemental application shows that, except for increased operating costs, the conditions surrounding the transportation involved which justified the establishment of reduced rates still obtain; that the increases in costs experienced by applicant are reflected in the proposed increased rates; and that operations under the sought rates may reasonably be expected to be profitable.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought authority is justified. Because conditions may change, however, the authority will be made to expire at the end of one year. Inasmuch as the present rates expire September 3, 1952, the order herein will be made effective ten days after the date hereof, and tariff changes will be authorized to be made on not less than three days' notice.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that John W. Doudell be and he is hereby authorized to publish and file, and to make effective on not less than three (3) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, the following rates, to expire September 3, 1953, for the transportation of the specified commodities in bulk in tank truck equipment: (1) a rate of 15.26 cents per 42-gallon barrel on crude oil from oil wells in the Zaca Oil Field, situated six miles northeast of Zaca, to Gaviota, (2) a rate of 13.08 cents per 42-gallon barrel on distillate fuel oil from Gaviota to the aforesaid wells, and (3) a rate of 15.26 cents per 42-gallon barrel on distillate fuel oil from Santa Maria and points within a radius of seven and one-half miles of the intersection of Stowell Road and Broadway Street, Santa Maria, to wells in the aforesaid Zaca Oil Field, and to depart from the provisions of Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to exercise the authority herein granted.

This order shall become effective ten (10) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1952.

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President  
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Commissioners

Commissioner [Signature], being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.