

ORIGINALDecision No. 47735

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 WILLIG FREIGHT LINES, a corporation,)
 for a certificate of public conven-) Application No. 33600
 ience and necessity to operate as a)
 highway common carrier for the trans-)
 portation of property.)

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding the applicant Willig Freight Lines, a corporation, seeks authority to extend its highway common carrier operations to off-route points near Fort Ross and Stewarts Point, respectively, in order to serve construction camps established there by Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Ultimately, permanent substations will be installed by that company at these locations. They also would be served.

Willig Freight Lines now operates as a highway common carrier generally between San Francisco, on the one hand, and points between Jenner and Cloverdale (including Jenner but excluding Cloverdale) and Rockport, on the other hand; locally between Jenner and Cloverdale, and Rockport; and between certain intermediate points. Between Jenner and Rockport applicant's established route follows California State Highway No. 1 along which are situated Fort Ross and Stewarts Point. Both communities are served as intermediate points.

Specifically, applicant proposes to extend its service (a) to the Fort Ross Substation construction camp of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, situated approximately 3½ miles southeast of Fort Ross on the Cazadero Road; and (b) to the Annapolis Substation construction camp of that company, which will be located approximately 11½ miles northeast of Stewarts Point. These camps, which

lie east of applicant's route, would be reached over connecting highways. With certain exceptions, general commodities would be transported.⁽¹⁾

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, it appears, is constructing a new distribution line designed to supply electricity throughout this area. In furtherance of this purpose, that company maintains a construction camp at Seaview some 3½ miles southeast of Fort Ross on the Cazadero Road, and plans to set up a similar camp at Clark's Crossing, about 11½ miles northeast of Stewarts Point. At both camps, material to be used for constructing the projected distribution line would be received. It is contemplated that ultimately two permanent substations will be installed at these locations, to be known as Fort Ross and as Annapolis Substations, respectively. The company anticipates that, in connection with this development, considerable electrical equipment would be shipped to both points.

Applicant currently serves the Fort Ross Substation construction camp as a permitted carrier, but entertains doubts regarding the propriety of such operations. To obviate these uncertainties, the instant application has been filed.

An on-call service would be provided, which would be integrated with applicant's present scheduled service. Apparently, this would best meet traffic requirements.

The rates covering this service would be constructed by adding arbitraries to the class or commodity rates applicable to or from Fort Ross and Stewarts Point, respectively. These would vary according to the weight of the shipments transported. At Fort Ross

(1) Generally, the excepted commodities would comprise used uncrated household goods and office equipment, and petroleum products moving in bulk.

Substation the arbitraries imposed would range from 25 cents for shipments of less than 2,000 pounds, to five cents for those of 30,000 pounds or over. These would be added to the Fort Ross rates. At Annapolis Substation they would range from 35 cents to 15 cents above the Stewarts Point rates, for shipments falling within the same weight brackets. Shipments moving to or from these points, respectively, would be subject to minimum arbitrary charges amounting to two dollars at Fort Ross Substation, and to five dollars at Annapolis Substation. Applicant requests such authority as may be necessary to permit deviation from constitutional and statutory long-and-short-haul provisions. However, neither the conditions which require such deviation, nor the extent thereof, are disclosed. It will not be authorized on this record.

The points involved are not served directly by any highway common carrier. No highway common carrier other than applicant is authorized to engage in the transportation of general commodities within this territory. Consequently, no other such carrier would be adversely affected by the approval of this application.

Under the circumstances, it appears that a public need exists for the establishment of the service proposed. The application, accordingly, will be granted except for the sought long-and-short-haul authority. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

Application as above entitled having been filed, the matter having been duly considered and the Commission now finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it hereby is granted to Willig Freight Lines, a corporation,

authorizing the establishment and operation of a service as a highway common carrier, as defined by Section 213 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of general commodities, except as hereinafter stated,

- (a) between Fort Ross and Fort Ross Substation Construction Camp of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, situated approximately $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles southeast of Fort Ross, on the Cazadero Road; and
- (b) between Stewarts Point and Annapolis Substation Construction Camp of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, situated approximately $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles northeast of Stewarts Point, on the Annapolis Road;

serving each of said construction camps as an off-route point.

Said certificate is granted subject to the following restriction, viz.:

Applicant shall not transport between the points specified in subparagraphs (a) and (b) hereof, respectively: (1) any used uncrated household goods, furniture, office and store fixtures and equipment; nor (2) any petroleum products in bulk.

(2) That, in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty (60) days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate, and concurrently make effective, tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission.
- (c) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify them by further order, applicant shall conduct operations pursuant to the certificate herein granted over and along the following routes:

- (1) Over unnumbered highways extending between Fort Ross Substation Construction Camp of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, situated on the Cazadero Road, and Fort Ross, as well as other junctions between said roads and State Highway No. 1; also, between said junction points, and Fort Ross, via State Highway No. 1.

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(2) Over unnumbered roads extending between Annapolis Substation Construction Camp of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, situated on the Annapolis Road, and Stewarts Point, as well as other junctions between said roads and State Highway No. 1; also, between said junction points and Stewarts Point, via State Highway No. 1.

(3) That in all other respects Application No. 33600 be and it is hereby denied. ✓

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof. ✓

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of September, 1952.

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President
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Commissioners