

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 48460

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation)
into the rates, rules, regulations,)
charges, allowances, and practices)
of all common carriers, highway)
carriers, and city carriers relating)
to the transportation of petroleum)
and petroleum products in bulk)
(commodities for which rates are)
provided in City Carriers' Tariff)
No. 5-Highway Carriers' Tariff)
No. 6).)

Case No. 5436
(Petition No. 2)

In the Matter of the Application)
of J. L. Beeler, Agent, for and on)
behalf of petroleum regular route)
common carriers and petroleum)
irregular route common carriers)
parties to Southwestern Motor)
Tariff Bureau, Petroleum Tank)
Truck Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No.11)
for an interim increase in rates.)

Application No.33685

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Elmer Ahl and J. L. Beeler are the tariff publishing agents for Tank Truck Operators Tariff Bureau and Southwestern Motor Tariff Bureau, respectively. Pursuant to Decision No.47823 of October 14, 1952, they established increased rates for the transportation of petroleum products in bulk in tank trucks. The adjustment was limited to rates for short hauls. It was authorized on a temporary basis pending further consideration of the rates in question. Ahl's rates expire May 2, 1953, and Beeler's rates May 16, 1953.

By petition filed March 25, 1953, Ahl and Beeler seek authority to continue the temporary rates in effect for an additional 180 days. Petitioners state that the conditions which required the establishment of these rates still prevail. They

point out that petroleum rates are the subject of a further general investigation scheduled for hearing on April 14, 1953. They assert that this investigation cannot be concluded and disposed of prior to the expiration of the temporary rates.

Interested parties have been notified of the filing of this petition. No one has objected to its being granted.

In the circumstances it appears that public hearing is not necessary and that an extension of the temporary rates should be authorized. No need appears, however, to extend the rates for as great a period of time as that sought. Extension to August 1, 1953 will be authorized.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Elmer Ahl and J.L. Beeler be and they are hereby authorized to extend to August 1, 1953, the expiration date of the rates and charges published in their tariffs pursuant to Decision No. 47823, of October 14, 1952, in Case No. 4808 and Application No. 33685, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 7th day of April, 1953.

R. J. [Signature]
Justus F. [Signature]
Kenneth [Signature]
John L. [Signature]