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Decision No. 48661

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of DIRECT DELIVERY SYSTEM, LTD., for authority to assess less than minimum rates.

Application No. 33160 (Second Supplemental)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized applicant to assess rates lower than the established minimum rates in connection with the transportation of crude diatomaceous earth and waste materials between a quarry of The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation located approximately nine miles southeast of Lompoc to a processing plant of that company in said city. The authority is scheduled to expire July 31, 1953. By supplemental application permission is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates. Applicant also requests that the order herein provide that should there be any increases in operating costs it be required to assess such increased costs.

The verified supplemental application shows that the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified deviation from the minimum rates generally still obtain. It also shows that operations under the authorized rates have been profitable and that the continued application of these rates may reasonably be expected to result in profitable operations. Applicant alleges that it does not anticipate any increases in costs for at least a year.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that except as hereafter provided the granting of the sought authority is justified. The request for provision for a future undetermined increase is indefinite and has not been justified. It will be denied. If costs increase, applicant may request an amendment of the authority. Because the conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the extension will be limited to a one-year period.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted by Decision No. 48192 of January 19, 1953, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to July 31, 1954, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that except as provided in the above ordering paragraph Second Supplemental Application No.33160 be and it is hereby denied.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this / day of June, 1953.

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