

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 48711

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
PUBLIC FREIGHT SYSTEM, and certain)
other highway common carriers for)
authority to establish through rates.)

Application No. 34290

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Public Freight System operates between the metropolitan Los Angeles area and Fontana and intermediate points. The other applicants operate generally between points in southern California, and between such points on the one hand and points in northern California on the other hand. By this application, as amended, authority is sought to establish joint rates between points served by Public and all points served by each of the other applicants. Freight would be interchanged at Los Angeles, Vernon and Kaiser. The proposed rates are on the same level as those of competing carriers and are not lower than the established minimum rates.

Service over applicants' lines between the points involved is now subject to combinations of local rates. These combination rates are higher than those proposed. Applicants represent that it will be advantageous to the public to be able to make through shipments over their lines under the proposed lower rates.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of this application. No objections have been received.

¹ The other applicants are: Asbury Transportation Co., Associated Freight Lines, Broomcrist and Wiedeman, Coast Line Truck Service, Inc., Consolidated Freightways, Inc., Desert Express, Fortier Transportation, Chas. P. Hart Transportation Co., Inc., Miles & Sons Trucking Service, Oxnard Trucking Service, Pacific Motor Express, Sacramento Freight Lines, San Diego Forwarding Company, Savage Transportation Co., Inc., Shippers Express Company, Smith Transportation Co., Sterling Transit Company, Inc., Thompson Truck Lines, Victorville-Barstow Truck Lines, Western Truck Lines, Ltd., and E. J. Willig Truck Transportation Co.

It appears that the establishment of joint rates as proposed is not adverse to the public interest and is justified. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish the joint through highway common carrier rates proposed in the above-entitled application, as amended.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the rates authorized herein are made effective within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of June, 1953.

President

Commissioners