

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 48831

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) Application No. 25585
minimum rates.) (Ninth 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 empty sacks between the plant of the Great Lakes Carbon Corporation near Torrance and points within that 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 proposes, however, that the rate of 50 cents per ton it is now authorized to observe for each of the services involved be increased to 58½ cents because of increased operating expenses.

The verified supplemental application shows that, except for increased operating costs, the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified deviation from the minimum rates generally still obtain; that the proposed increase in the rates will offset the higher operating costs; and that operations under the sought rates may reasonably be expected to be profitable during the ensuing year.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought modification of applicant's authority is justified and should be granted. Because the conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the extension will be limited to a one-year period. To prevent a lapse

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of applicant's authority, the order herein will be made effective August 1, 1953.


Therefore, good cause appearing,


IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Decision No. 48192 of January 19, 1953, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby amended by substituting in Appendix "A" attached thereto "58½ cents per ton" for "50 cents per ton;" and that the expiration date of the aforesaid Decision No. 48192, as so amended, be and it is hereby extended to July 31, 1954, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

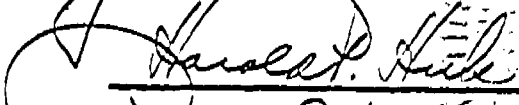
This order shall become effective August 1, 1953.

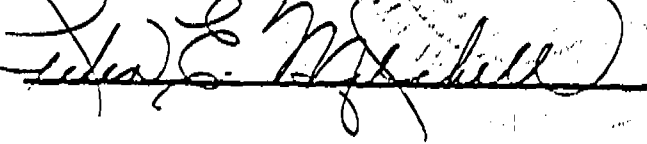
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of

July, 1953:



President






Commissioners