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Decision No. <u>49093</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) JAMES GRIFALL and CHARLES GRIFALL,) copartners doing business as GRIFALL) BROS. TRUCKING COMPANY, for authority) to charge less than minimum rates under the provisions of the Highway) Carriers' Act.

Application No. 32748 (2nd Supplemental)

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

James Grifall, Charles Grifall and John Grifall, doing business as Grifall Bros. Trucking Company, hold a highway contract carrier permit. By Decision No. 47745 of September 24, 1952, they were authorized to observe a rate less than the minimum rate otherwise applicable to the transportation of calcined dolomite from Natividad to Manteca for Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation.¹ The authority is scheduled to expire October 22, 1953. Permission is now sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rate for a further one-year period. Applicants propose, however, that the authorized rate be increased from 17.75 to 18.75 cents per 100 pounds.

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

Decision No. 46258 of October 2, 1951 originally granted the authority to James and Charles Grifall, doing business as Grifall Bros. Trucking Company. Subsequently, the partnership was expanded to include John Grifall and the authority amended accordingly.

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It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought modification and extension of applicants' authority is justified and should be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Decision No. 46258 of October 2, 1951, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby further amended by substituting "18.75 cents" for "17.75 cents" in the order thereof; and that the authority granted by said Decision No. 46258, as so amended, shall expire October 22, 1954, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective October 22, 1953.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>1.5 day</u> of September, 1953.

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