Decision No. 49404

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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 (Pet. No. 7)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Pacific Truck Service, Inc., operates as a highway common carrier of bulk petroleum and petroleum products. Under a prior authorization it has published a rate of 4.725 cents per 100 pounds for the transportation of fuel oil from Shell Point to Martinez in lieu of the minimum rate of 7.25 cents. By this petition it seeks authority to publish a rate of the same volume for a like movement from Shell Point to Avon. 1

The verified petition alleges that in general the conditions surrounding the transportation from Shell Point to Martinez also prevail in connection with the Avon movement. The petition shows that petitioner is able to integrate these operations and that it will be able to perform the service involved at a reasonable profit. The shipper has informed petitioner that it will resort to proprietary operations unless the sought authority is granted.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the petition. No objections to its being granted have been received.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the proposed rate is reasonable. The petition will be granted. Inasmuch as the rate authorized for the

Shell Point is situated in Contra Costa County approximately 3 miles west of Pittsburg. Avon is located between Shell Point and Martinez.

transportation to Martinez is subject to expiration on November 19, 1954, the like rate herein authorized will be made subject to the same expiration date.

Therefore, good cuase appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Truck Service, Inc., be and it is hereby authorized to publish on not less than five days notice to the Commission and to the public and to expire November 19, 1954, a rate of 4.725 cents per 100 pounds applicable to the transportation of petroleum fuel oil in tank trucks from Shell Point to Avon.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this day of December, 1953.

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Commissioners