Decision No. 49891

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application ) of DIRECT DELIVERY SYSTEM, LTD., ) Application No. 30460 for authority to assess less than) minimum rates.

## 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 from The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation's quarry located near Lompoc in Santa Barbara County to that company's plant at Walteria in Eos Angeles County. The authority is scheduled to expire April 30, 1954. Permission is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates, but to observe higher rates.

The 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 rate increase will offset the higher 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 an extension of applicant's authority with the rate adjustments proposed 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.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Direct Delivery System, Ltd., be and it is hereby authorized to transport crude diatomaceous earth, in bulk, for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation from that company's quarry located approximately 9 miles southeast of the city limits of Lompoc, Santa Barbara County, to its manufacturing plant at Walteria, Los Angeles County, at rates less than the established minimum rates for such transportation, but not less than the following:

Minimum )	<u>Weight</u>	Rates per Ton
43,000 p		\$4.88
44,000 45,000	ff ff	4.77 4.66
46,000	#	4.56
47,000	ff 	4-46
48,000 48,500	77 77	4-37
49,000	n	4.32 4.28

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire April 30, 1955, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective April 30, 1954.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of April, 1954.

Commissioners