

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 50193

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	)	Case No. 5432
to the transportation of general	)	(Petition No. 32)
commodities (commodities for which	)	
rates are provided in Highway	)	
Carriers' Tariff No. 2).	)	

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Frank C. Winans and Grant A. Winans, copartners doing business as Winans Brothers, are highway common carriers of lumber. By this petition they seek authority to publish a rate less than the minimum rate for the transportation of lumber and forest products from Hayfork to Redding. They propose to publish a rate of 18 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds. The applicable minimum rate is 21 cents. In addition, petitioners request that the order granting the sought authority be made effective five days after its issuance and that they be permitted to make the sought rate effective on five days' notice.

Petitioners allege that the present minimum rate is too high for the movement in question because of the unusually favorable conditions under which the freight is handled. They state that the movement is steady, that the volume is substantial and that loading and unloading is performed with mechanical equipment. A cost study submitted with the petition shows that operations under the proposed rate would return costs and make provision for profit. A review of the study by the Commission's staff supports this statement. Petitioners represent that establishment of the sought rate adjustment on short notice is necessary to forestall a substantial loss of traffic to proprietary operations.

Interested parties have been notified of the filing of the petition. No objection to its being granted has been received.

It appears that in the circumstances the proposed reduced rate is reasonable. Petitioners will be permitted to amend their tariff accordingly. Because circumstances may change, however, the reduced rate will be authorized for one year, subject to earlier cancellation, change or extension by order of the Commission.

A public hearing is not necessary.

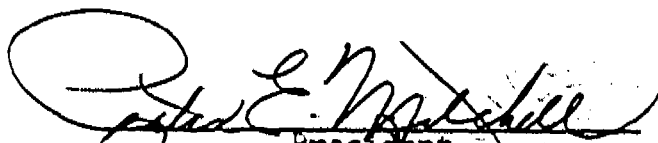
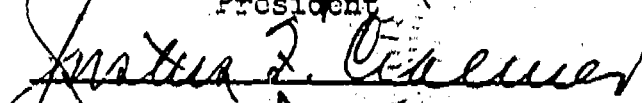
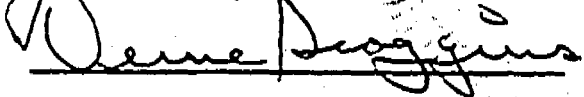
Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Frank C. and Grant A. Winans, copartners doing business as Winans Brothers, be and they are hereby authorized to publish and file, and to make effective on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, a rate of 18 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds, for the transportation of lumber and forest products from Hayfork to Redding.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the rate established under the authority herein granted shall be published to expire one year after the effective date of this order, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29 day of June, 1954.

  
President  
  


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Commissioners