

Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of JAMES GRIFALL, CHARLES GRIFALL,) and JOHN 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 (Third Supplemental)

THIRD 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. 49093 of September 15, 1953, 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. The authority is scheduled to expire October 22, 1954. Permission is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rate for a further one-year period. Applicants propose, however, that the rate of 18.75 cents per 100 pounds they are now authorized to observe be increased to 19.70 cents.

The supplemental application alloges 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 alleges that operations under the sought rate may reasonably be expected to be profitable during the ensuing year. However, applicants' allegations are not fully persuasive that the sought modification and extension of the authority should be granted without further investigation. Meanwhile,

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continuation of the present basis for a sixty-day period will be authorized. To prevent a lapse of applicants' authority, the order will be made effective October 22, 1954.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted James Grifall, Charles Grifall and John Grifall, copartners doing business as Grifall Bros. Trucking Company, by Decision No. 49093 of September 15, 1953, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to December 21, 1954, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

This order shall become effective October 22, 1954. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>5</u>th day of October, 1954.

Commissioners