Decision No. 50763

## ORIGINAL

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. 3) (First Supplemental)

## SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Decision No. 49156 of September 29, 1953, in this proceeding, authorized Richard Burum Snow, a petroleum irregular route common carrier, to publish rates less than the minimum rates for the transportation of crude oil in bulk in tank vehicles from Le Roy Lease (San Luis Obispo County) to Carr Station and Battles Station (both in Santa Barbara County). The published rates expired October 15, 1954. Permission is sought to continue to maintain the lower rates for a one-year period.

The petition shows that, except for increased wages, the conditions surrounding the transportation in question which justified the publication of rates lower than the minimum rates still obtain; and that the higher wage costs have been offset by a reduction in fuel costs and by improved road conditions. It also shows that the operations have been profitable and may reasonably be expected to continue to be profitable during the ensuing year.

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

In the circumstances, it appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the sought authority is justified and should be granted. Inasmuch as the published rates expired October 15, 1954, the order will be made effective immediately and the tariff filing will be authorized to be made on two days! notice.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Richard Burum Snow, an individual operating as a petroleum irregular route carrier, be and he is hereby authorized to publish and file and to make effective on not less than two days' notice to the Commission and to the public, the following rates for the transportation of petroleum crude oil:

## From Le Roy Lease To

Carr Station - 3.85 cents per 100 pounds

Battles Station - 4-1/4 cents per 100 pounds

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the rates established under the authority herein granted shall be published to expire with October 15, 1955, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of this Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof. Dated at Los Angeles, California, this \_\_ 26 \_\_ day of October, 1954.