

Decision No. 58775

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation to determine whether)
 DESERT EXPRESS, a corporation, PACIFIC)
 FREIGHT LINES, a corporation, PACIFIC)
 FREIGHT LINES EXPRESS, a corporation,)
 VALLEY MOTOR LINES, a corporation,)
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 tion, and WESTERN TRUCK LINES, a)
 corporation, should be required to)
 undertake to establish through routes)
 and joint rates.)

Case No. 5559

ORDER OF INVESTIGATION

It appearing:

(1) That under date of July 6, 1954 this Commission issued an Order of Investigation for the purpose of determining whether respondent Desert Express should be required to undertake to establish with any other highway common carrier or carriers, as described in that Order, a through route and joint rate between any one or more of the points, on the one hand, which respondent is authorized to serve, and, on the other hand, any one or more of the points described therein.

(2) That, as a result of public hearings in the matter, the following carriers have requested that the Order of Investigation be amended to include them: Pacific Freight Lines, Pacific Freight Lines Express, Valley Motor Lines, Valley Motor Lines Express, and Western Truck Lines.

(3) That the foregoing listed carriers are the principal haulers by motor vehicle to the area concerned, and that they cannot

now transport shipments into the territory served by Desert Express under through route and joint rate arrangements which are satisfactory to all parties, and good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Order of Investigation dated July 6, 1954, be, and it hereby is, broadened to include as respondents Desert Express, a corporation, Pacific Freight Lines, a corporation, Pacific Freight Lines Express, a corporation, Valley Motor Lines, a corporation, Valley Motor Lines Express, a corporation, and Western Truck Lines, a corporation.

Public hearing in this proceeding shall be held before such commissioner or examiner as may be designated and at such time and place as may be fixed.

The Secretary is directed to cause personal service of a certified copy of this Order to be made forthwith on respondents and thereafter to cause notice of time and place of hearing to be mailed to respondents at least ten days prior to the date of said hearing.

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 16th day of NOVEMBER, 1954.

Arthur E. Mitchell
President

Justin J. Cullen

Deane Higgins

Rayle Winters

Commissioners

Kenneth Fetter being
noted hereby to participate
in the disposition of this proceeding.