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Decision No. 50910

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) SACRAMENTO FREIGHT LINES, INC., a) corporation, for authority to extend) operations as a highway common car-) rier between Herlong, on the one hand,) and San Francisco Bay points, on the) other hand.

Application No. 35785

Edward M. Berol and Bertram S. Silver, by <u>Bertram S. Silver</u>, for applicant. William Meinhold and Frederick E. Fuhrman, by <u>Frederick E. Fuhrman</u>, for Southern Pacific Company and Pacific Motor Transport Company, interested parties.

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By its application as amended, filed September 16, 1954, Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., requests authority to extend its service as a highway common carrier for the transportation of general commodities between San Francisco, Richmond, Hayward and points intermediate between Richmond and Hayward, on the one hand, and Quincy and Herlong and points between Quincy and Herlong, on the other hand. Authority is also sought to transport dangerous explosives over an alternate route between the Los Angeles Territory and Port Chicago via the Banta Cut-off, near Tracy.

Public hearing was held on December 3, 1954, before Examiner Thomas E. Daly at San Francisco and the matter submitted. No appearance was made in protest to the application.

Among other places, applicant is presently authorized to serve between Sacramento, on the one hand, and points in the Feather River area, including Herlong and Quincy. Authority is here sought to extend service between the Feather River area and the Bay area. At the present time shipments moving between the proposed areas are

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interchanged at Sacramento and, according to applicant, this results in delays of two to three days. During 1954 applicant assertedly interchanged a substantial amount of traffic moving to and from the Bay area with Delta Lines, Merchants Express and Valley Lines. Under its permits applicant has transported straight loads without interchange. The proposed service would be overnight.

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By virtue of its existing authority applicant transports dangerous explosives between the Los Angeles Territory and Azusa, on the one hand, and Port Chicago, on the other hand, via Sacramento. Applicant requests authority to provide such service via the Banta Cut-off and thus eliminate the expense of operating over 75 circuitous miles.

After full consideration of the record, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require that the authority sought should be granted.

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Application having been filed, a public hearing having been held thereon and based upon the evidence adduced therein,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., authorizing it to operate as a highway common carrier for the transportation of general commodities, except uncrated household goods, livestock, commodities in bulk, and articles of extraordinary value between San Francisco, Richmond, Hayward, and points intermediate between Richmond and Hayward, on the one hand, and Quincy and Herlong and points intermediate between Quincy and Herlong, on the other hand.

(2) That for operating convenience only applicant is hereby authorized to transport dangerous explosives, ammunition,

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and component parts of ammunition and explosives over the following alternate routes:

Commencing at Manteca thence over California Highway 120, U. S. Highway 50, unnumbered County road, known as Banta Cut-off, U. S. Highway 50, unnumbered County road via Byron, California Highway 4 and unnumbered County road to Port Chicago.

(3) That in providing the service herein authorized in paragraph (1) hereof, applicant shall observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file, in triplicate, and concurrently make effective appropriate tariffs.
- (c) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time, applicant shall provide service pursuant to the certificate granted paragraph (1) hereof over and along the following routes:
 - Between San Francisco and Portola via U. S. Highway 40 and 40 alternate;

Via U. S. Highway 40 alternate between Portola and its junction with U. S. Highway 395 at Halleluja Junction;

Via U. S. Highway 395 from said junction to Sierra Ordnance Depot and via unnumbered state or county road through or adjacent to said Sierra Ordnance Depot to Herlong.

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2. Between San Francisco and Sacramento via U. S. Highway 40 and between Sacramento and Herlong over presently authorized routes.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

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Commissioner Vorne Scogging being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.