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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) INTER-URBAN EXPRESS CORP. to establish) joint rates with CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS,) INC., HART, CHARLES P. TRANSPORTATION) COMPANY, INC., SAVAGE TRANSPORTATION CO.,) INC., SHIPPERS EXPRESS COMPANY, SOUTHERN) CALIFORNIA FREIGHT LINES, STERLING) TRANSIT CO., INC., WILLIG FREIGHT LINES.)

Application No. 36597

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Inter-Urban Express Corp. operates generally between San Francisco and Oakland, on the one hand, and Richmond, Martinez, Anticch and Walnut Creek, on the other hand. The other applicants cperate between the San Francisco territory and southern California points.

Authority is sought to extend existing joint through rate arrangements to include Oakland and Antioch, and all intermediate points via State Highway No. 24 which Inter-Urban Express Corp. was authorized to serve by Decision No. 49369, of November 24, 1953, in Application No. 32927. The freight would be interchanged at San Francisco or Oakland. The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

In addition to the applicants named in the title hereinabove, Western Truck Lines, Ltd., was joined as an applicant by an amendment filed on January 5, 1955.



Applicants also seek authority to make the sought rates effective on five days' notice to the Commission and to the public and to depart from the long and short haul provisions of the Constitution and of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates.

Service over applicants' lines between the points involved is now subject to combinations of their local rates. These combination rates are higher than those proposed. Applicants represent that it will be advantageous to the public to be able to make through shipments over their lines under the proposed joint rates. They point out that_the sought departures from the long and short haul provisions involved are not great and that other carriers have heretofore been granted like authority.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection has been received.

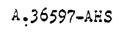
It appears that the establishment of through service, through routes and joint rates on five days' notice, as proposed, is not adverse to the public interest and should be authorized. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

(1) That applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application and to depart from the provisions of Article XII, Section 21, of the Constitution of the

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State of California and Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the rates authorized herein.

(2) That the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this _/2 _day of January, 1955.

- Commissioners