

Decision No. 51378**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
DIRECT DELIVERY SYSTEM, LTD., for)	Application No. 30460
authority to assess less than mini-)	(Eighth Supplemental)
mum rates.)	

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized applicant, a highway contract carrier, to assess rates lower than the established minimum rates in connection with the transportation of crude diatomaceous earth from The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation's quarry located near Lompoc in Santa Barbara County to that company's plant at Walteria in Los Angeles County. The authority is scheduled to expire April 30, 1955. Permission is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates for a further 15-month period and to observe rates approximately two percent higher. Applicant states that the previously authorized rates as proposed to be adjusted herein may reasonably be expected to result in profitable operations during the ensuing year.

The question of applicant's relationship to Southern California Freight Lines and Southern California Freight Forwarders, both common carriers, is under consideration in Application No. 35927. The transportation here appears to involve operations over a portion of routes served by the above-mentioned common carriers. In addition, the cost study attached to the application is not in sufficient detail to permit determination of the reasonableness of the sought rates under existing conditions. In view of all of these circumstances, it does not appear that the modifications and extension of authority should be granted for the full period sought without further investigation. Meanwhile, the authority on the proposed modified basis will be extended for a ninety-day period. To prevent a lapse of applicant's authority, the order will be made effective April 30, 1955.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

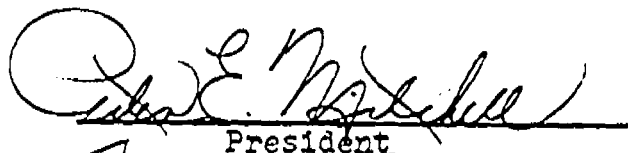
1. That Direct Delivery System, Ltd., be and it is hereby authorized to transport crude diatomaceous earth, in bulk, for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation from that company's quarry located approximately 9 miles southeast of the city limits of Lompoc, Santa Barbara County, to its manufacturing plant at WALTERIA, Los Angeles County, at rates less than the established minimum rates for such transportation, but not less than the following:

<u>Minimum Weight</u>	<u>Rates Per Ton</u>
43,000 pounds	\$4.96
44,000 "	4.84
45,000 "	4.74
46,000 "	4.63
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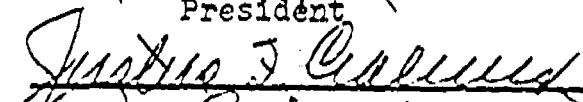
2. That the authority herein granted shall expire July 29, 1955, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

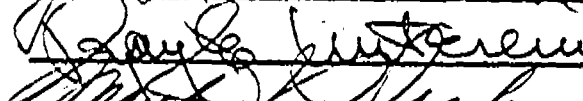
This order shall become effective April 30, 1955.

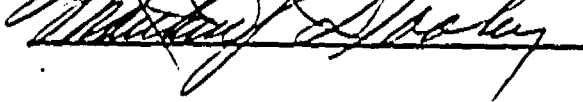
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26th day of April, 1955.



 President







Commissioners