

Decision No. 51494**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 SACRAMENTO FREIGHT LINES, INC., a)
 corporation, and CAL-CENTRAL TRUCKING)
 CO., INC., a corporation, INTERLINES)
 MOTOR EXPRESS, a corporation, A.R.) Application No. 36933
 ALTNOW, an individual doing business)
 as LODI TRUCK SERVICE, W. L. WARNER,)
 an individual doing business as)
 SACRAMENTO AUTO TRUCK COMPANY, to)
 establish joint rates.)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., operates between the Los Angeles area and Sacramento; and between Sacramento and various points north thereof. The other applicants operate between various points in northern California. By this application authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates between points served by Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., and all points served by each of the other applicants. Authority is sought also 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. The freight would be interchanged at Sacramento.

The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. Service over applicants' lines between the points involved is now subject to combinations of their local rates. These combination rates are higher than the proposed joint rates. Applicants represent that it will be advantageous to the public to be able to make through shipments over their lines under the lower rates. The sought departures from the long-and-short-haul provisions involved are not great and competing.

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 deemed necessary.

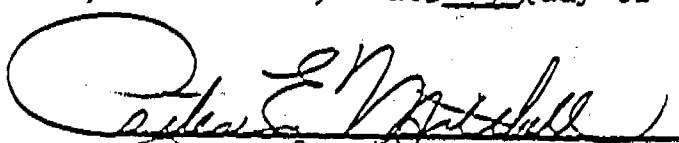
Therefore, good cause appearing,

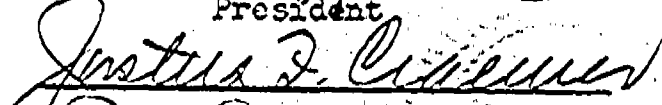
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application; and to depart from the provisions of Article XII, Section 21, of the Constitution of the State of California and Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the rates authorized herein.

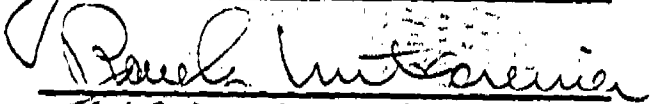
IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of May, 1955.


President







Commissioners