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Decision No. <u>51592</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation into the rates, rules, regulations, charges, allowances and practices of all common carriers, highway carriers and city carriers relating to the transportation of general commodities (commodities for which rates are provided in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2).

Case No. 5432 (Petition No. 32) (First Supplemental)

INTERIM SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Frank C. Winans and Grant A. Winans, copartners doing business as Winans Brothers, operate as a highway common carrier of lumber. By Decision No. 50193 of June 29, 1954, they were authorized to publish a rate lower than the established minimum rate for the transportation of lumber and forest products from Hayfork (Trinity County) to Redding. The published rate of 18 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds, expires July 4, 1955. Permission is sought to continue to maintain this rate for a further one-year period.

The supplemental petition states that the conditions which justified the publication of the rate lower than the minimum rate still obtain. Petitioners declare that operations under that rate have been profitable during the past year and are expected to continue to be profitable during the ensuing year. However, petitioners, allegations are not fully persuasive that the sought extension of the authority should be granted without further investigation. Meanwhile, continuation of the present basis for a ninety-day period will be authorized. Inasmuch as the published rate expires on July 4, 1955, the order will be made effective immediately, and the tariff filing will be authorized to be made on not less than five days' notice.

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Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Frank C. Winans and Grant A. Winans, copartners doing business as Winans Brothers, be and they are hereby authorized, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to publish and file a rate of 18 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds, to expire October 2, 1955, for the transportation of lumber and forest products from Hayfork to Redding.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this z/ day of June, 1955.

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