

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 51927

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of GARMENT  
 CARRIERS, INC., a corporation; EDWARD T.  
 MOLITOR, doing business as STANDARD TRUCK  
 LINE; and A & B GARMENT DELIVERY OF SAN  
 FRANCISCO, a corporation, for permission to  
 establish and maintain joint through routes  
 and rates between San Diego and Bakersfield,  
 Fresno, San Francisco and Sacramento. )  
 ) Application No. 37144

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers specializing in the transportation of wearing apparel on garment hangers. Garment Carriers, Inc., operates between Los Angeles, Bakersfield, Fresno and San Francisco. A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco operates between points in the San Francisco Bay area and between points in that area and other northern California points. Edward T. Molitor, doing business as Standard Truck Line, operates between Los Angeles and San Diego and points in the vicinity thereof. By this application authority is sought to establish through service, through routes and joint rates between points on applicants' lines. 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 joint rates. The freight would be interchanged at Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The rates proposed would be lower than through rates made by combining applicants' local rates. Applicants represent that there is a substantial volume of garments for which transportation on hangers is needed between the points involved. They assert that they provide the only specialized highway common carrier service of this type between such points, and that the establishment of the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed will facilitate the free flow of traffic.

Common carriers of general commodities between the points affected were notified of the filing of this application. No objection has been received.

It appears that the establishment of through service, through routes and joint rates as proposed is not adverse to the public interest and is justified. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish 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 rates authorized herein are made effective within ninety 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1955.

John E. Mitchell  
President  
Justus J. Cassel  
B. Hardy

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Commissioners