

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 52198

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 petroleum and petroleum products in)
bulk (commodities for which rates are)
provided in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 6).)

Case No. 5436
(Petition No. 12)
(1st Supplemental)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Petitioner, Pacific Truck Service, Inc., is a highway common carrier of bulk petroleum and petroleum products. Decision No. 50764 of November 16, 1954, in this proceeding, authorized petitioner to publish rates which are lower than the established minimum rates for the transportation of fuel oil from Shell Point to Martinez and Avon and between points within the City of Martinez.¹ The authority is scheduled to expire November 19, 1955. Permission is sought to continue to maintain the lower rates. Petitioner alleges that it has recently been made aware that operations under the authority thought to be to a point within the City of Martinez are actually to a point approximately 2,000 feet outside the city. Appropriate amendment of the authority is also sought.

The petition shows that the conditions which justified publication of the reduced rates still obtain. It also shows that operations under the authorized rates have been profitable and may reasonably be expected to continue to be profitable during the ensuing year.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the rates sought to be published are reasonable and justified by the transportation conditions. This is a matter in which a public

¹Shell Point is situated in Contra Costa County approximately 3 miles west of Pittsburg.

hearing is not necessary. However, because the conditions under which the transportation is performed may change at any time, the effectiveness of the rates in question will be limited to a one-year period. Inasmuch as the authority expires November 19, 1955, the order will be made effective on that date and petitioner will be authorized to amend its tariffs on two days' notice.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Truck Service, Inc., be and it is hereby authorized, on not less than two days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to publish, to expire November 19, 1956, a rate of 4 cents per 100 pounds applicable to the transportation of petroleum fuel oil in tank trucks from Shell Point to Avon; from Shell Point to Martinez and points within one mile of Martinez; and from Martinez to points within one mile thereof.

This order shall become effective November 19, 1955.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of November, 1955.

John E. Mitchell
 President

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 Commissioners