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Decision No. 52432

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Veryl Callison, d.b.a. Callison Truck) Lines, and Walter E. Mendenhall and) Vilbur N. Mendenhall, d.b.a. Menden-) hall Transportation Co., to establish) joint rates and routes.)

Application No. 37479

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Callison Truck Lines operates between Arcata and Garberville and intermediate points, on the one hand, and points in the San Francisco Bay area, on the other hand. Mendenhall Transportation Co. operates generally between Fortuna, Ruth, Fort Seward, Alder Point, Zenia and Eureka. By this application cuthority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates between the points set forth in the application. Authority is also sought to depart from the long-andshort-haul provisions of the Constitution and of the Public Utilitics Code to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates. The freight would be interchanged at Eureka.

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. They point out that the rates sought to be published are those established as the minimum rates between the points involved and that competing carriers have heretofore been granted like authority.

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Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No one protests its being granted.

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 necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that 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 4 day of January, 1956.

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