

Decision No. 52663

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )	
of DIRECT DELIVERY SYSTEM, LTD., )	Application No. 30240
for authority to assess less than )	(11th Supplemental, as amended)
the minimum rates. )	

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized Direct Delivery System, Ltd., a highway contract carrier, to assess rates lower than the established minimum rates for transportation of soda ash in bulk for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation from Westend (San Bernardino County) and Bartlett (Inyo County) to WALTERIA (Los Angeles County). The most recent authorization expired with August 30, 1955, a prior request for extension thereof on an adjusted basis having been denied for lack of adequate showing of the applicable costs of the service (Decision No. 51876, dated August 23, 1955).

By this 11th supplemental application, as amended, the company seeks authority to provide the transportation at the following rates, subject to a minimum weight of 48,000 pounds:

From Westend: 34.2 cents per 100 pounds

From Bartlett: 38.6 cents per 100 pounds.

The minimum rates for the service are 45.15 and 48.3 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 36,000 pounds, from Westend and from Bartlett, respectively.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The minimum rates shown are those named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. They include allowance for a 5 percent surcharge which the tariff provides.

A report of the costs of the transportation was submitted in an amendment to this supplemental application. This report has been reviewed by the Commission's staff. The cost data therein appear to be reasonably representative of the costs of the service. It appears also that the proposed rates would return the costs and make provision for profit. The proposed rates are hereby found to be reasonable.

Parties believed to be interested in the matter have been notified of the filing of this supplemental application. No objection to granting of the sought authority has been received. In the circumstances it appears that the sought rates should be authorized. Because the conditions underlying the service may change at any time, the authority should be limited to a one-year period unless sooner changed, canceled or extended. Public hearing in the matter is not necessary.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Direct Delivery System, Ltd., be and it hereby is authorized to transport soda ash, in bulk, for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation to WALTERIA in Los Angeles County, from Westend in San Bernardino County and from Bartlett in Inyo County at rates less than the established *minimum* rates but not less than those shown below:

From Westend:	34.2 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 48,000 pounds
From Bartlett:	38.6 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 48,000 pounds.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire one year after the effective date of this order unless

sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2/28  
day of FEBRUARY, 1956.

*John E. McMillen*  
President  
*Justus S. Calver*  
*Paul W. Teresina*  
*Marion Dealey*  
*R. H. Hartz*  
Commissioners