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Decision No. 53173

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of JOHN T. CHALKE, an individual, for authority to depart from the rates, rules and regulations of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, Minimum Rate Tariff No. 5, and Minimum Rate Tariff No. 8, under provisions of Division 2, Chapter 1, Article 6, of the Public Utilities Code of the State of California.

Application No. 34192 (Third Supplemental)

## THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized applicant to deviate from the established minimum rates, under Sections 3666 and 4015 of the Public Utilities Code. The authority is limited to the transportation of merchandise and store supplies under contract for The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company from that company's Los Angeles warehouse to its retail stores in southern California. It permits deviation from the requirement that the actual classification be used by allowing shipments to be classified on a fixed percentage basis in lieu of on the actual classification. It also permits applicant to observe other designated special bases for related services. The authority is scheduled to expire June 25, 1956. Extension of the authority for a further one-year period is now sought

According to the supplemental application, the conditions which justified deviation from the minimum rates still obtain, and the classification mixture is substantially the same as when a detailed study was last made.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed basis of rating and charges are reasonable and

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consistent with the public interest. The supplemental application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the expiration date of the authority granted to John T. Chalke, an individual, by Decision No. 48863 of July 23, 1953, as amended, in this proceeding, be and it is hereby extended to June 25, 1957, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this  $4\frac{11}{2}$  day of June, 1956.

Commissioners