Decision No. 53207

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SIGNAL TRUCKING SERVICE, LTD., a corporation, for authority to depart from the rates, rules, and regulations of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 5 (formerly City Carriers' Tariff No. 4, Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 5), Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 (formerly Highway Carriers') Tariff No. 2), and Minimum Rate Tariff No. 6 (formerly Highway Carriers' No. 6 (formerly Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 8), under the provisions of the City Carriers' Act and the Highway Carriers' Act.

Application No. 31378 (Fifth Supplemental)

FIFTH 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 consistent with the public interest. The supplemental application will be granted. In view of the expiration date of the present authority, the following order will be made effective June 25, 1956. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- (1) That the expiration date of the authority granted to Signal Trucking Service, Ltd., by Decision No. 45797 of June 5, 1951, 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.
- (2) That any transportation performed by applicant as a common carrier of the same commodities between the same points shall be cause for revocation of the authority herein granted.

This order shall become effective June 25, 1956.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this Z day of June, 1956.

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