Decision No. 53306

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF

Application of VINTON D. SLOCUM, OLLIE B. SLOCUM, DELBERT T. SLOCUM AND KATHERINE B. SLOCUM doing business as the SLOCUM VAN & STORAGE CO., to transfer a certificate of public convenience and necessity to conduct and operate a public commercial warehouse service in the San Fernando Valley, more particularly in the community of Van Nuys, City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to ROBERT J. CASE.

Application No. 37938

## OPINION

By Decision No. 49368, authority was granted to Vinton D., Ollie B., Delbert T., and Katherine B. Slocum, doing business as the Slocum Van & Storage Co., to establish and operate a warehouse service at 6100 Kester Avenue and at 14520 Delano Street, both in Van Nuys, limited to not more than 16,380 and 5,000 square feet of space at each location, respectively.

By this application, authority is sought by said persons, hereinafter called Sellers, to sell said certificate of public convenience and necessity to Robert J. Case, who intends to continue said business only at the Kester Avenue address which is a one-story brick building, sprinkler equipped, having approximately 30,000 square feet of warehouse space. The other location will be abandoned as the facilities there are not now being used for utility purposes.

The consideration for the proposed sale is nominal as the parties had agreed to transfer the certificate as a part of

the transaction whereby the Sellers transferred their Radial, City and Household Goods Permits to the Purchaser in January of 1955.

The Sellers are retiring from the van and storage business. Purchaser proposes to adopt the rates now on file and will continue the same type of operation. The business consists of storage, for neighborhood merchants, of general merchandise and commodities such as household goods and furnishings, clothing, notions, hardware, paper goods, etc.

A financial statement of Robert J. Case, doing business as Slocum Van and Storage Co., as of October 31, 1955, shows total tangible assets of \$65,900.26, liabilities of \$27,057.59, and net worth of \$38,842.67. Net income for the ten months ending October 31, 1955, amounted to \$28,958.89.

The Commission having considered the application is of the opinion and finds that the proposed transfer of the authority to operate a warehouse service at 6100 Kester Avenue is not adverse to the public interest and therefore the application will be granted as to said location. That portion of the certificate pertaining to the 14520 Delano Street location will be canceled. A public hearing is not deemed necessary.

## ORDER

Application having been made, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Vinton D. Slocum, Ollie B. Slocum, Delbert T. Slocum and Katherine B. Slocum, doing business as the Slocum Van & Storage Co., on or before July 31, 1956, may transfer to Robert J. Case the

certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a public utility warehouse business at 6100 Kester Avenue, in Van Nuys, upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the application.

- (2) On not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, effective concurrently with the consummation of such transfer, applicants shall supplement or reissue the tariffs now on file with the Commission, insofar as they name rates, rules and regulations governing the warehouse operations here involved, to show that Vinton D. Slocum, Ollie B. Slocum, Delbert T. Slocum and Katherine B. Slocum, doing business as the Slocum Van & Storage Co., have withdrawn or canceled and that Robert J. Case concurrently has adopted or established, as his own, said rates, rules and regulations. The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of warehouse tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 61.
- (3) That the certificate of public convenience and necessity heretofore granted to Vinton D. Slocum, Ollie B. Slocum, Delbert T. Slocum and Katherine B. Slocum, doing business as the Slocum Van & Storage Co., authorizing the establishment and operation of a warehouse service, as defined in Section 239 (b) of the Public Utilities Code, at 14520 Delano Street, in Van Nuys, be and the same hereby is revoked.

(4) That Vinton D. Slocum, Ollie B. Slocum, Delbert T. Slocum and Katherine B. Slocum, doing business as the Slocum Van & Storage Co., shall, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, cancel all rates, rules and regulations governing the operation revoked by paragraph (3) herein.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

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