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Decision No. 53479

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, INCORPORATED, a corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor vehicles for the transportation of express matter between the San Francisco International Airport and the Cities of Burlingame, Redwood City, San Mateo, and Palo Alto, California.

Application No. 36005

Eugene M. Prince, <u>Noel Dyer</u> and Harlan M. Richter, for applicant;
Dion R. Holm, Thomas H. O'Connor and <u>Emmet B. Keefe</u>, for the City and County of San Francisco, interested parties.

## OPINION

Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, by this application filed May 8, 1956, requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a highway common carrier between the San Francisco International Airport, on the one hand, and on the other hand, the cities of Burlingame, Redwood City, San Mateo and Palo Alto for the purpose of picking up and delivering air express traffic to and from said cities. Applicant alleges that it presently serves between said points, but that it does so by transporting express shipments between said peninsula points and the airport over the Southern Pacific Company rails to and from San Francisco and from there by its trucks to and from the airport. By operating directly between the peninsula points and the airport, much time would be saved and their air express service thereby would be materially improved.

Public hearing was held in San Francisco on July 17, 1956, before Examiner Rowe, at which time evidence, both oral and

documentary was received and the matter was submitted for decision. Notice was duly served upon all competing carriers operating between the points involved in the application, but no one appeared in opposition.

Seven public witnesses testified as to the need for the proposed service. The district manager of applicant's air express service in this area described the proposed service and the need which it is designed to meet. The rates to be charged for the proposed service are the rates applicable under applicant's tariffs now on file with this Commission, Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, Air Express Division No. 10, California P.U.C. No. 9 (Air Express). Applicant has adequate equipment and personnel to carry on this service. The present adequate office and terminal facilities of applicant in the peninsula cities and at the airport will be used for this service as well as for its other business. At this time three round trips will be made to the airport daily Monday through Friday.

The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require that this proposed service be instituted. Because of the urgent character of the need of shippers authority will be granted and this decision will be made effective five days after date.

## ORDER

A public hearing having been held, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

## IT IS ORDERED:

1. That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, authorizing it to operate as a highway common carrier as defined in Section 213 of the

Public Utilities Code for the transportation of express shipments between the San Francisco International Airport, on the one hand, and on the other hand, the cities of Burlingame, Redwood City, San Mateo and Palo Alto, California, as more specifically set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof at the rates applicable under its tariffs on file with the Commission, and under through bills of lading or express receipts and said express matter shall be limited to matter which shall receive an immediate prior or subsequent movement by railway or aerial transportation facilities.

- 2. That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:
  - a. Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
  - b. Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, and on not less than one day's notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized.

The effective date of this decision shall be five days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this

July, 1956.

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Appendix A

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Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport express shipments between the San Francisco International Airport, on the one hand, and on the other hand, the cities of Burlingame, Redwood City, San Mateo, and Palo Alto at rates applicable under its tariff on file with the Commission or as they may hereafter be legally altered. The matter to be so transported shall be limited to that which shall receive, in addition to the highway carrier movement provided by applicant, an immediate prior or subsequent movement by railway or aerial transportation facilities.

Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time, Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, shall conduct the highway common carrier service authorized by the decision hereinafter numbered over and along the following described routes:

Over and along any and all public streets and highways in the cities mentioned on page I hereof and over and along U. S. Highway 101 and By-Pass 101.

End of Appendix A

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