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Decision No. 53789



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ) DELTA LINES, INC., to establish joint ) rates with CALLISON THUCK LINES, INC.,) EL DORADO MOTOR TRANSPORTATION CO. MERCHANTS EXPRESS OF CALIFORNIA, NIELSEN FREIGHT LINES, Myron Bolstad, ) doing business as PARADISE FREIGHT LINE, Myron D. and Walter F. Peters, ) doing business as PETERS TRUCK LINES, ) W. L. Warner, doing business as SACRAMENTO AUTO TRUCK COMPANY, JOE SAIA, VALLEY MOTOR LINES, INC. and ) Vernon Woods, doing business as WOODS ) TRUCK LINE.

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## OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Delta Lines, Inc., operates, among other places, between the San Francisco Bay area, on the one hand, and Gilroy and Los Gatos and intermediate points, on the other hand. The other carriers operate between various points in northern California. By this application authority is sought to extend existing joint through rate arrangements to include additional points which Delta Lines, Inc., has been authorized to serve. The freight would be interchanged at San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento or Chico.

The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum class rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. Service over applicants' lines between the points involved is now subject to combinations of their local rates. These combination rates are higher than the proposed joint rates. Applicants represent that it will be advantageous to the public to be able to make through shipments over their lines under the lower rates.

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It appears that the establishment of the proposed through service, through routes and joint rates, on ten days' notice, is not adverse to the public interest and should be authorized. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18 - day of September, 1956.