

Decision No. 54541

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of DIRECT DELIVERY SYSTEM, LTD.,) Application No. 30240
for authority to assess less than) (12th Supplemental)
the minimum rates.)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Prior orders in this proceeding have authorized Direct Delivery System, Ltd., a highway contract carrier, to assess rates lower than the established minimum rates for transportation of soda ash in bulk for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation from Westend (San Bernardino County) and Bartlett (Inyo County) to WALTERIA (Los Angeles County). The present authority expires March 12, 1957. By this supplemental application an extension of the authority is sought at rates subject to a minimum weight of 48,000 pounds, increased as follows:

From Westend: from 34.2 to 37.79 cents per 100 pounds

From Bartlett: from 38.6 to 42.25 cents per 100 pounds.

Applicant states that the conditions which justified deviation from the minimum rates still obtain, but that there have been certain cost increases. Tractor costs have increased due to the federal use tax which became effective July 1, 1956, and driver's wages have increased. A cost study submitted with the supplemental application shows that the proposed rates will return full costs and make provision for a profit. The Commission's staff has reviewed the cost study and has recommended granting the proposed rates.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rates are reasonable. The supplemental application will be granted. This is a matter in which a public

hearing is not necessary. However, as the conditions under which the transportation is performed may change at any time, the authority will be limited to a one-year period, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

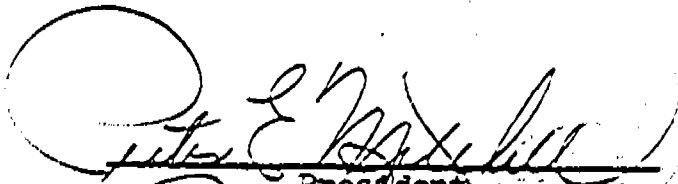
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Direct Delivery System, Ltd., be and it hereby is authorized to transport soda ash, in bulk, for The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation to WALTERIA in Los Angeles County, from Westend in San Bernardino County and from Bartlett in Inyo County at rates less than the established minimum rates but not less than those shown below:


From Westend: 37.79 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight
48,000 pounds
From Bartlett: 42.25 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight
48,000 pounds.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire March 12, 1958, unless sooner changed, canceled or extended by order of the Commission.

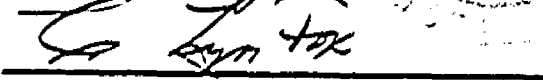
This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of February, 1957.



President






Commissioners