

Decision No. 54713

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)	
of FORTIER TRANSPORTATION COMPANY,)	
a corporation, and ZIMMERMAN TRANS-)	Application No. 38822
PORTATION CO., INC., a corporation,)	
to establish joint rates.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Fortier Transportation Co. operates generally between Los Angeles and San Francisco and certain intermediate points on U. S. Highway 99. Zimmerman Transportation Co., Inc., operates generally between certain points in the Los Angeles area and between the Los Angeles Territory and Oxnard, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Point Mugu, Port Hueneme and San Diego. By this application, as amended, authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates. The freight would be interchanged at Los Angeles. Authority is also sought to depart from the provisions of the long-and-short-haul provisions of the Constitution of the State of California and the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates.

The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum class rates and certain commodity 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. Applicants propose to originate traffic at points on the lines of Fortier Transportation Co. and transport it under through rates to points on the lines of Zimmerman Transportation Co., Inc., and vice versa.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection has been received.

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.

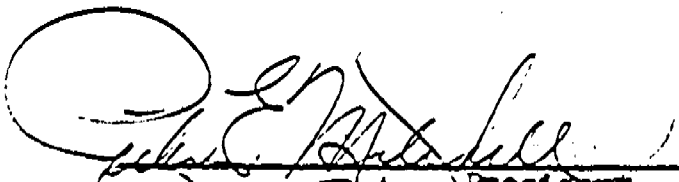
Therefore, good cause appearing,

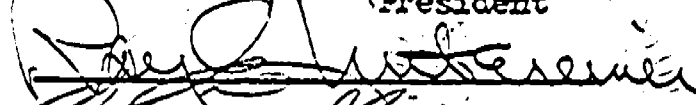
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application, as amended, and to depart from the provisions of Article XII, Section 21, of the Constitution of the State of California and Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the rates authorized herein.

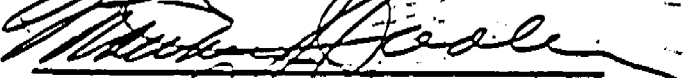
IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

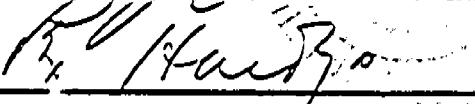
This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

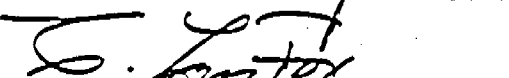
Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 26th day of March, 1957.



President








Commissioners