

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 54880

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation
on the Commission's Own Motion into
the Matter of Adopting and Prescribing
Uniform Systems of Accounts for
"Passenger Stage Corporations,"
"Highway Common Carriers," "Radial
Highway Common Carriers" and
"Highway Contract Carriers."

Case No. 4713

In the Matter of the Investigation
on the Commission's Own Motion into
the Matter of Adopting and Prescrib-
ing a Uniform System of Accounts for
Class I "Highway Common Carriers,"
"Radial Highway Common Carriers"
and "Highway Contract Carriers."

Case No. 4967

SEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER IN CASE NO. 4713
THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER IN CASE NO. 4967

By decisions in the above-entitled proceedings, the Commission has prescribed uniform systems of accounts for motor carriers of property subject to its jurisdiction and, in doing so, has adopted and prescribed for highway common carriers, radial highway common carriers and highway contract carriers having average gross operating revenues (including interstate and intrastate) of \$200,000 or over, the Uniform System of Accounts for Class I Common and Contract Motor Carriers of Property, Issue of 1952, prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Since 1952 the Interstate Commerce Commission has amended its uniform system of accounts for Class I carriers in the following manner:

- (1) Under date of April 6, 1955, it reworded Instruction 182.01-3 relating to accounting period.
- (2) Under date of September 24, 1956, effective January 1, 1957, it added new accounting instructions and new accounts for employee welfare expenses.
- (3) Under date of September 27, 1956, effective January 1, 1957, it reclassified the carrier groupings and reworded paragraph (a) under Instruction 182.01-27 pertaining to the allocation of expenses between line haul and pickup and delivery.

A comparison of the classification groupings as contained in the uniform systems of accounts currently prescribed by this Commission with those referred to in item (3) above, based on average annual gross operating revenues, follows:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Currently Prescribed by P.U.C.</u>	<u>As Prescribed by I.C.C.</u>
Class I carriers	\$200,000 or over	\$1,000,000 or over
Class II carriers	\$50,000 or over but less than \$200,000	\$200,000 or over but less than \$1,000,000
Class III carriers	Less than \$50,000	Less than \$200,000

In addition to the amendments to its uniform system of accounts for Class I carriers, issue of 1952, the Interstate Commerce Commission has adopted, effective January 1, 1957, a Chart of Accounts for Class II Motor Carriers of Property. The chart of accounts for Class II carriers is in effect a condensation of that prescribed for Class I carriers.

The changes in accounting requirements adopted by the Interstate Commerce Commission will not result in the placing of an added accounting burden on the motor carriers but, in fact,

should result in a lessening of such burden. At present, motor carriers having average annual gross operating revenues of \$200,000 or more are required to maintain their records under the uniform system of accounts for Class I carriers whereas under the amendments adopted by the Interstate Commerce Commission that portion of such carriers whose average annual gross operating revenues do not exceed \$1,000,000 will be able to use the condensed chart of accounts.

Some of the highway common carriers, radial highway common carriers and highway contract carriers operate under the jurisdiction of this Commission and also of the Interstate Commerce Commission, being engaged in both interstate and intrastate commerce. In order to simplify the accounting and reporting requirements imposed on these carriers and in order to coordinate the accounting requirements prescribed by this Commission with those prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, it appears desirable and in the public interest to amend the systems of accounts heretofore adopted and prescribed by this Commission; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The uniform systems of accounts heretofore prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California for motor carriers of property, now in effect, hereby are amended so as to group said carriers, on and after January 1, 1958, into the following three classes:

Class I - carriers having average gross operating revenues (including intrastate and interstate) of \$1,000,000 or more annually.

Class II - carriers having average gross operating revenues (including intrastate and interstate) of \$200,000 or more but under \$1,000,000 annually.

Class III - carriers having average gross operating revenues (including intrastate and interstate) of less than \$200,000 annually.

2. The amendments adopted by the Interstate Commerce Commission to its Uniform System of Accounts for Class I Common and Contract Motor Carriers of Property, Issue of 1952, as contained in its orders of April 6, 1955, September 24, 1956 and September 27, 1956, are hereby adopted and prescribed by this Commission and made a part of the uniform system of accounts prescribed by this Commission for Class I highway common carriers, radial highway common carriers and highway contract carriers subject to its jurisdiction.

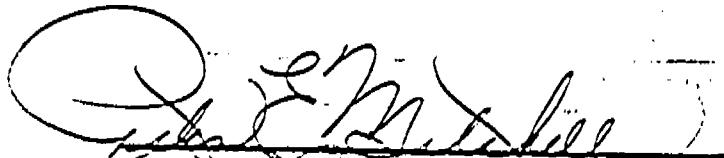
3. Any Class II or Class III carrier if it so desires may follow the uniform system of accounts prescribed for carriers with larger average annual gross operating revenues.

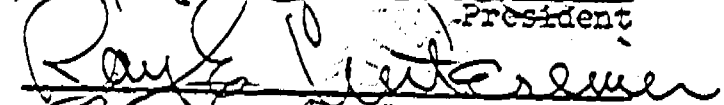
IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED AND DIRECTED that the Chart of Accounts for Class II Motor Carriers of Property effective January 1, 1957, prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission be, and it is hereby, adopted and prescribed, effective on and after January 1, 1958, by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, for all highway common carriers as defined in Section 211 of the Public Utilities Code and for all radial highway common carriers and highway contract carriers as defined in the Highway Carriers' Act who have annual and/or average annual gross revenues (including interstate and intrastate) of \$200,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000 from motor carrier operations.


IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Class II highway common carriers, radial highway common carriers and highway contract carriers be, and they hereby are relieved, on and after January 1, 1958, from keeping their accounts in accordance with the uniform system of accounts effective January 1, 1946, heretofore adopted and prescribed by this Commission for Class II carriers by Decision No. 37429, dated October 24, 1944, as amended, in Case No. 4713.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall become effective 30 days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of April, 1957.



President




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