

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 55710

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of UNION ICE & STORAGE COMPANY, a corporation, for authorization to discontinue cold storage warehouse operations at Rialto, California.

Application No. 39400

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant is conducting a public utility warehouse operation at Rialto. By this application it seeks authority to discontinue operations at that point and to cancel its rates, rules and regulations.

The verified application shows that applicant has been conducting cold storage warehouse operations at Rialto in premises leased from its parent corporation, The Union Ice Company, that the volume of business has been decreasing annually, and that for more than three years it has rendered service to only 13 patrons.^{1/} Applicant reports that it has notified each of its patrons of the filing of this application, that 12 of them have stated they have no objection to the discontinuance of the cold storage operations, and that the thirteenth could not be located. He has no goods in storage at present.

1/ Applicant reports gross revenues from the cold storage operations as follows:

1953	\$11,989.80
1954	8,740.06
1955	7,947.13
1956	1,516.29
First seven months of 1957	1,456.82

It appears to us that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary, that the proposed discontinuance of operations will not be adverse to the public interest, and that applicant should be permitted to withdraw from public utility warehouse operations, subject to conditions designed to protect the interests of its patrons.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Union Ice & Storage Company be, and it is hereby, authorized to discontinue its public utility warehouse operations at Rialto, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman, rendering all services specified in its tariffs, at rates and charges therein provided, so long as any property remains in storage in its warehouse; except that from and after the date of filing the written acceptance specified in Condition 2 hereof, applicant shall not be required to receive any additional goods for storage.
2. Applicant shall, within five days after the effective date of this order, file with the Commission its written acceptance of this order, including all of the provisions and conditions thereof.
3. Applicant shall cause to be prepared and to be mailed or otherwise delivered to each of its storage patrons, within five days after the effective date of this order, a true and complete copy of this order.
4. Applicant's storage patrons may designate any available public warehouse or other location within the vicinity of Rialto to which their stored property shall be moved; however, in the absence of such election on or before six days after the effective date hereof, applicant may transport such property to any public utility warehouse within that vicinity.

5. Applicant shall pay, for its own account, and at no expense to its patrons, any and all costs connected with the transfer of stored property from its warehouse to other locations, whether designated by its patrons or otherwise, including transportation, the handling charges of the receiving warehouse, and any additional storage charges occasioned by a difference in storage periods between its own and the receiving warehouse.
6. Applicant shall, promptly on removal of all stored property from its warehouse, (a) file with the Commission a verified statement that it has fully complied with Conditions 1 to 5, inclusive, and (b) cancel all tariffs, concurrences and powers of attorney which it has on file with the Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st
day of October, 1957

John E. Marshall
President
Ray S. Lichtenauer
William H. Foster
R. H. Hardy
S. L. Fox
Commissioners