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Decision No. 55979

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SAN FRANCISCO WAREHOUSE CO., a corporation, for exemption from the requirements of paragraph (d) of Item No. 220 series of City Carriers Tariff No. 1-A in the performance of services for The Cuneo Press.

Application No. 39502

OPINION AND ORDER

San Francisco Warehouse Co. operates as a city carrier within the City and County of San Francisco. By this application it seeks authority, under Section 4015 of the Public Utilities Code, to perform the services of unloading and segregating pool car shipments of periodicals for The Cuneo Press at rates less than the minimum rates.

The minimum rates involved are those set forth in Item No. 220 series of City Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A. Paragraph (d) of that item provides for a charge to be assessed for the services of marking, tagging, stenciling, or labeling packages in connection with handling pool car shipments. Applicant desires to mark or stencil the bundles of periodicals without assessing the charges required by paragraph (d).

According to the application, applicant handles one railroad car of periodicals a month for The Cuneo Press in which, at
present, the bundles are marked by the shipper. Applicant states
that its cost of performing the services of unloading and segregating would be less if it marked the bundles of periodicals, and that
the savings realized in the course of unloading and segregating
would far outweigh the cost to applicant of marking or stenciling.

Applicant further states that the situation here is similar to that involved in handling publications for The Curtis Publishing Company, considered in Application No. 38413. The operation as conducted is fully described in Decision No. 54558, dated February 19, 1957, in that proceeding, and authority identical to that sought here was granted in Decision No. 54770, dated April 2, 1957.

Interested parties have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection to its being granted has been received.

The Commission is of the opinion and hereby finds that the proposed exemption from the requirement of charging for marking or stenciling is reasonable and consistent with the public interest. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary. Because conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the authority will be made to expire at the end of one year, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that San Francisco Warehouse Co., a corporation, be and it is hereby exempted from the requirements of paragraph (d) of Item No. 220 series of City Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A in the performance of the services of unloading and segregating pool car shipments of periodicals for The Cuneo Press.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire one year after the effective date of this order

unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16 day of Niccember, 1957.

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