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Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Export Forwarders, Inc., for an) order granting permission to charge) less than the minimum rates on ship-) ments for the Coca-Cola Company.)

Application No. 29875 (Ninth Supplemental)

NINTH SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 42423, of January 18, 1949, as amended, in this proceeding, it was authorized as a highway contract carrier, under Section 3666, of the Public Utilities Code, to transport syrup and empty syrup containers for the Coca-Cola Company between specified points in southern California at rates less than the established minimum rates. The authority is scheduled to expire February 7, 1958. By this supplemental application, permission is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates for a further one-year period.

The supplemental application alleges that, while there have been some increases in the cost of operation, the conditions which justified deviation from the minimum rates still obtain and that improvement in operating conditions and increased volume of traffic have offset the increased costs. A statement attached to the application shows that operations under the authorized rates have been profitable and may reasonably be expected to be profitable for the ensuing year. The Transportation Division staff has reviewed applicant's data and has recommended granting the sought authority.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rates are reasonable. This is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The supplemental application will be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

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IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the authority granted to Export Forwarders, Inc., by Decision No. 42423 of January 18, 1949, as amended, in this proceeding, is hereby extended to February 7, 1959, unless sooner changed or further extended by order of the Commission.

(2) That any transportation performed by applicant as a common carrier of the same commodities between the same points shall be cause for revocation of the authority herein granted.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of January, 1958.

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