

Decision No. 55294

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
IMPERIAL TRUCK LINES, INC. and)	
COAST LINE TRUCK SERVICE, INC. for)	
authority to establish joint rates)	Application No. 39760
under Section Nos. 491, 1065 and)	
1066 of the California Public)	
Utilities Code.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities, including fresh or green fruits and vegetables. Imperial Truck Lines, Inc., operates generally between Los Angeles Territory, on the one hand, and Coachella Valley Territory and Imperial Valley Territory, on the other hand. Coast Line Truck Service, Inc., operates generally between the San Francisco Territory, on the one hand, and the Los Angeles Territory, on the other hand. By this application authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates for the transportation of fruits, fresh or green (not cold pack or frozen) and vegetables (not cold pack or frozen) and mushrooms. The freight would be interchanged at Los Angeles.

The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 8. 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 in the Coachella and Imperial Valley Territories on the lines of Imperial Truck Lines, Inc., and transport it under through rates to points in the San Francisco Territory on the lines

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of Coast Line Truck Service, Inc., and vice versa. The Coachella and Imperial Valley Territories and the San Francisco Territory are as described in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 8.

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 ORDERED:

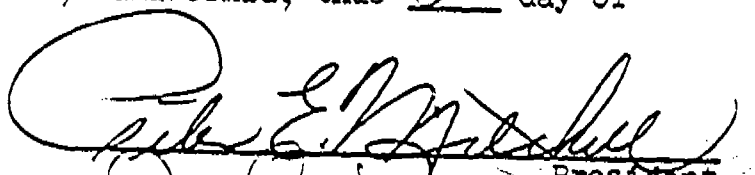
(1) That the applicants are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application.

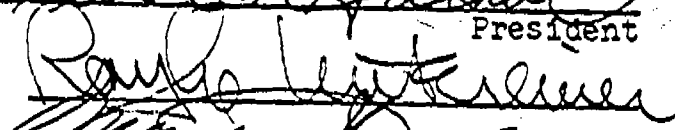
(2) That the authority herein granted is hereby limited to the extent that it may be exercised in conformity with the provisions of Article XII, Section 21, of the Constitution of the State of California and Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code; and that the authority shall not be construed as relieving applicants from the operation and requirements of said provisions of the Constitution and of the Public Utilities Code to any extent whatsoever.


(3) That the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

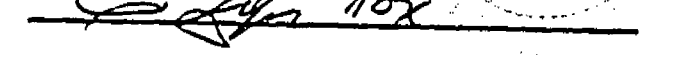
This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 3rd day of March, 1958.



President






Commissioners