

Decision No. 56578

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
FORTIER TRANSPORTATION COMPANY to)	
establish joint rates with)	
SACRAMENTO FREIGHT LINES, INC., and)	
KENNETH D. RUDD, doing business as)	
RUDDWAY DRAYAGE)	Application No. 39850
ALSO)	
SACRAMENTO FREIGHT LINES, INC., to)	
establish joint rates with KENNETH D.)	
RUDD, doing business as RUDDWAY DRAYAGE.))	

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Fortier Transportation Company operates generally between points in the San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego areas, including certain intermediate points. Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., operates generally between Portola, Redding, Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles, including certain intermediate points. Ruddway Drayage operates within the San Francisco - East Bay Cartage Zone and between San Francisco and San Jose and intermediate points.

By this application, as amended, authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates. Authority is also sought to depart from the long-and-short-haul provisions of the Constitution of the State of California and the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates.

The proposed rates are on the same level as the minimum class rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. 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

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shipments over their lines under the lower rates. Applicants propose to (1) originate traffic at points on the lines of Fortier Transportation Company and transport it under through rates to points on the lines of each of the other applicants, and vice versa, and (2) to originate traffic at points on the lines of Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., and transport it under through rates to points on the lines of Kenneth D. Rudd, doing business as Ruddway Drayage, and vice versa. The freight would be interchanged between Fortier Transportation Company and Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., at Los Angeles, Fresno, Modesto, Oakland and San Francisco; and between Kenneth D. Rudd, on the one hand and Fortier Transportation Company and Sacramento Freight Lines, Inc., on the other hand, at San Francisco and Oakland.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection has been received.

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,

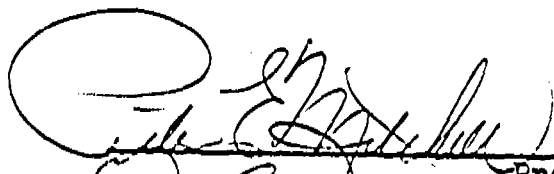
IT IS ORDERED that applicants are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, the through service, through routes and joint rates proposed in the above-entitled application, as amended, and to depart from the provisions of Article XII, Section 21, of the Constitution of the State of California and Section 460 of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the rates authorized herein.

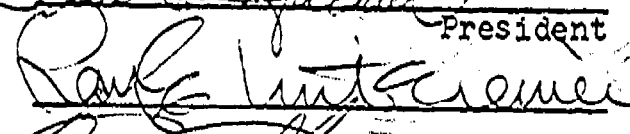
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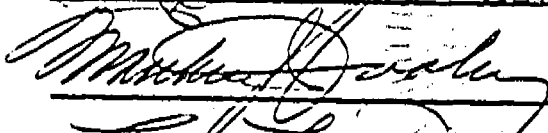
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless the authorized rates are made effective within sixty days after the effective date of this order.


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

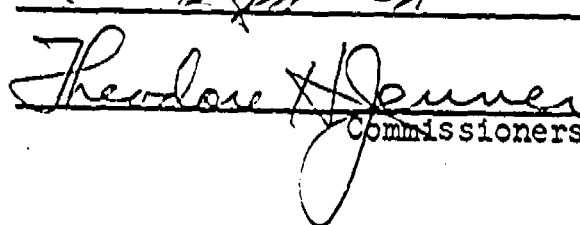
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of April, 1958.



President








Commissioners