Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ) MERCHANTS EXPRESS OF CALIFORNIA for ) an order revoking "express corporation") prescriptive operative rights between ) San Francisco and points in Marin, Napa) and Sonoma Counties. )

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Application No. 39881

## $\underline{O P I N I O N}$

Merchants Express of California requests an order revoking prescriptive operative rights as an express corporation between San Francisco, on the one hand, and points in Marin, Napa and Sonoma Counties, on the other hand.

In justification applicant alleges that with the exception of Bloomfield, Fallon, Tomales and Valley Ford, the "express" rights duplicate points between which applicant is presently conducting highway common carrier service; that since the acquisition of said prescriptive authority no "express" service has been conducted; that it does not propose to serve between the same points as an "express corporation" and as a highway common carrier; that no "express" cervice has been provided to Bloomfield, Fallon, Tomales and Valley Ford, because no underlying common carrier service has been available for a number of years.

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After consideration the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continuation of applicant's service as an express corporation between the points hereinafter specified in the order. A public hearing does not appear to be necessary.

## <u>ORDER</u>

Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the prescriptive authority of Merchants Express of California to operate as an express corporation between San Francisco, on the one hand, and Bloomfield, Cotati, Fallon, Healdsburg, Napa, Penngrove, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Tomales and Valley Ford, on the other hand, is hereby revoked.

(2) That Local Express Tariff Cal. P.U.C. No. 4 and Joint Freight and Express Tariff No. 1-A, Cal. P.U.C. No. 6, both of which are issued in the series of Anna V. Lial Bezera, doing business as Sonoma Express Company, are hereby canceled.

(3) That the following powers of attorney or concurrences are hereby canceled:

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- E 1 No. 2 of Anna L. Bezera, dba Sonoma Express Company, issued J. P. Haynes - L. F. Potter.
- E 2 No. 2 of Sonoma Express Company (corporation), issued to R. C. Fyfe - F. F. Thompson, and
- AF 2 No. 9 of Kellogg Express and Draying Co., issued to Sonoma Express Company.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

San Francisco Dated at , California, this 1 1 brix day of 1958. President us, Commissioners