Decision No. 56759

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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 Albert S. Handy, Jr., doing business as Handy Motor Lines, to establish joint rates.

Application No. 40002

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicants are highway common carriers of general commodities. Imperial Truck Lines operates generally between the Los Angeles Territory, on the one hand, and the Imperial Valley and Coachella Valley Territories, on the other hand. It is also authorized to transport fresh vegetables between Guadalupe, Lompoc, Oceano and Santa Maria on the one hand, and Los Angeles, on the other hand. Albert S. Handy, doing business as Handy Motor Lines, operates between points and places within the Los Angeles Basin Territory.

By this application, authority is sought to establish, on less than statutory notice, through service, through routes and joint rates. Joint class and commodity rates are proposed. The class rates are on the same level as the minimum class rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. Such commodity rates as are proposed will be published on the level of the minimum commodity rates in Minimum Rate Tariffs Nos. 2 and 8. Authority is also sought to depart from the long-and-short-haul provisions of the Constitution of the State of California and of the Public Utilities Code to the extent necessary to establish the joint rates.

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 at points served by Imperial Truck Lines, Inc., and transport it under through rates to points served by

The Los Angeles Territory, Coachella Valley Territory and Imperial Valley Territory are described in the operative rights granted Imperial Truck Lines, Inc., by Decision No. 54322 of December 27, 1956.

Albert S. Handy, and vice versa. The freight would be interchanged at Los Angeles.

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 and through routes with joint rates on the same level as the minimum class and commodity rates in Minimum Rate Tariffs Nos. 2 and 8, 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 applicants are hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, through service, through routes and joint rates between all points presently served by each applicant at rates based upon the minimum class and commodity rates named in Minimum Rate Tariffs Nos. 2 and 8; 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.
- (2) That the authority herein granted shall capine William the authorized rates are made effective within ninety 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 27th day of May, 1958.

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