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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of KEY TRANSPORT, INCORPORATED,
a California corporation, AND COSTIGAN TRUCKING CO., INC.,
a California corporation, for authority to acquire transfer from Costigan Trucking Co., Inc. to Key Transport, Incorporated a Highway Common Carrier Operating License Right between Los Angeles and Los Angeles Harbor and for authority to issue stock of Key Transport, Incorporated in exchange for various assets.

Application No. 39801

<u>OPINION</u>

This is an application for an order of the Commission (1) authorizing Costigan Trucking Co., Inc. to transfer operative rights, business and properties to Key Transport, Incorporated, and (2) authorizing Key Transport, Incorporated to issue \$20,010 par value of its Class A common stock.

Under authority granted by Decision No. 47841, dated October 21, 1952, Costigan Trucking Co., Inc. acquired from Citizens Truck Company, Ltd. a prescriptive right to operate as a highway common carrier of property between the City of Los Angeles and the steamship wharves and docks located at Los Angeles Harbor (Wilmington and San Pedro), as more particularly defined by Decision No. 12823, dated November 14, 1923. Costigan Trucking Co., Inc. now desires to transfer this prescriptive right to Key Transport, Incorporated, which was organized under the laws of the State of California on or about March 5, 1957.

A pro forma balance sheet of Key Transport, Incorporated, as of September 1, 1957, attached to the application as Exhibit B, shows, exclusive of the prescriptive right, assets of \$71,419.44 against which it is proposed to issue \$20,010 par value of capital stock. The difference will be represented by paid-in surplus of \$18,407.88, and open indebtedness to the proposed shareholders.

A review of the application shows that there will be no change in the management nor in the rates or service as the result of the transfer and that the same operative properties will be available to the new corporation as now are utilized in the present operations. Upon reviewing the verified application, we are of the opinion, and so find, that the transfer will not be adverse to the public interest and should be authorized.

Key Transport, Incorporated is hereby placed on notice that operative rights, as such do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the state as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, they extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business over a particular route. This monopoly feature may be changed or destroyed at any time by the state, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the rights and properties herein authorized to be transferred.

order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 80.

4. Key Transport, Incorporated shall file with the Commission a report, or reports, as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

5. This order will become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Thereises, California, this 1st

day of July.

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