

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 56951

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation into)
the rates, rules, regulations, charges,)
allowances and practices of all common)
carriers, highway carriers and city)
carriers, relating to the transporta-)
tion of general commodities (commodi-)
ties for which rates are provided in)
Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2).)

Case No. 5432

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Minimum rates, rules and regulations for the transportation of general commodities are prescribed in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. Decision No. 32964 in Case No. 4246 established commodity rates for the transportation of ice in quantities of 30,000 pounds or more from Porterville, Tulare, Visalia and Exeter to Delano effective April 2, 1940. These rates have been subjected to a number of percentage increases since they were first established. They are currently contained in Item No. 659-E of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

Recently the Transportation Division staff made a study and report to determine whether any changes should be made in these rates.¹ The staff report is hereby made a part of the record in this proceeding and identified as Exhibit No. J-1.

The exhibit shows that in 1940 when the commodity rates were established, (1) the ice making facilities at Delano were limited; (2) there was large production of leafy vegetables for rail transportation to eastern markets; (3) the rail refrigerator cars

¹A field investigation was conducted during April, 1958, by a staff member of the Rate Branch of the Transportation Division.

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were topped with chipped ice at shipping points; and (4) there were heavy interplant movements of ice to Delano. The exhibit further shows that today the aforementioned factors have either changed materially or no longer prevail. It also shows that ice making facilities at Delano have been enlarged and are generally adequate to meet the demand; that much of the acreage devoted to growing leafy vegetables has been diverted to production of cotton, potatoes and various field grains; and that refrigeration techniques and methods of packaging have eliminated the need for topping rail refrigerated cars with chipped ice. The report shows that there has been no volume movement of ice to Delano from Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, or Exeter by for-hire carriers for approximately the past ten years.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the cancellation of the commodity rates for the transportation of ice, in quantities of 30,000 pounds or more, from Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, and Exeter to Delano is justified.

Therefore, good cause appearing,


IT IS ORDERED that Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 (Appendix "D" of Decision No. 31606, as amended) is hereby further amended by incorporating therein to become effective September 5, 1958, Fourteenth Revised Page 6 and Fourth Revised Page 51-J, which revised pages are attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

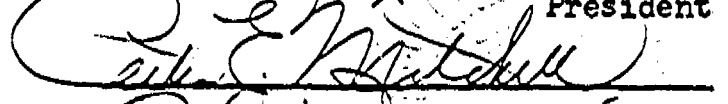
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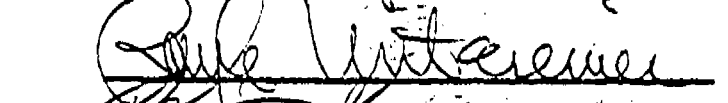
In all other respects said Decision No. 31606, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.


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

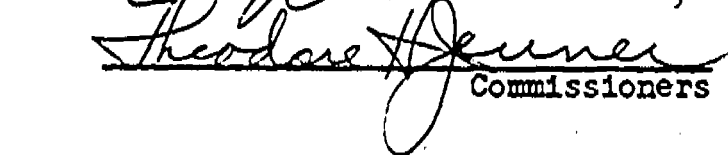
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of July, 1958.



President







Commissioners

INDEX OF COMMODITIES (Continued)

COMMODITY	Item Number	COMMODITY	Item Number
Feed, Clover	652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Gable Ornaments	660, 690
Feed, Gluten	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Garlic Chips	(1)
Feed, Mill	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Garlic Powder	(1)
Feed, Poultry	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Gas, petroleum Liquefied	723-726
Feed, Sorghum (M)	652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Gauges, Bit	365
Feterita	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Gelatine	360
Fig Paste	350	Generators, Electric (M)	365
Fig Pulp	350	Germ	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Figs, dried	350, 640	Ginger Ale	600
Fire Brick (M)	365	Glucose	360
Fire Clay (M)	365	Glycerine, unmedicated	395
Fish, cooked, pickled or preserved	(1)	Grain Products, as described	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fish, other than fresh or frozen	360	Grain	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fish Roe	(1)	Grains, Brewers'	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fittings, Iron or Steel Pipe	365, 378	Grains, Distillers'	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fittings, Closet and Pantry	660, 690	Grate Bars	365
Fixtures, Built-in	660, 690	Grille Work	660, 690
Flakes, Brewers'	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Crips	365
Flakes, Hominy	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Grit	652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Flavoring Compounds	360	Grits	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Flaxseed	652, 654	Groats	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Flour, Bean	653, 654	Guides, Wire Line	365
Flour, Grain	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654	Gum, Chewing	360
Flour, Potato	653, 654	Gutters	660, 690
Flour, Prepared	653, 654, 655, 656	Handles, wooden	365
Flour, Rice	653, 654	Hand Rails	660, 690
Flowers, fresh cut	340	Hay	355, 658
Flues, Boiler	365	Heading	660, 690
Fodder, bean, cane, corn or pea	355	Heads, Control Casing, Drive Pipe or Casing	365
Fondant, Candy	360	Hegari	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Food, Cereal	360	Higera	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Food, baby	(1)	Hominy	(1), 652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Food, Infants' or Invalids'	360	Hominy Flakes	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Food Preparations, Cereal	360, 655, 656	Honey	360, 610
Forges	365	Honey Box Lumber	660, 690
Frames (Blind, screen and door)	660, 690	Hooks, Casing, Sucker Rod, Throwoff or Tubing	365
Frames, Window	660, 690	Horseradish	360
Fruit, candied, crystallized, glazed or stuffed	360	Horseradish, prepared	(1)
Fruit, crushed	(1)	Hulls	652, 652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fruit, dried	350, 640	Hulls, cottonseed	652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fruit Drink	(1)	Hulls, rice	652 $\frac{1}{2}$, 654
Fruit (not dried, evaporated nor fresh)	(1)	**	
Fruit Juice	600	Ice Cream	370
Fruit Juice Powders or Crystals, Citrus	360	Icings	360
Fruit Peel, Candied, Crystallized,		Insecticides (M)	723-726
Glaced or Stuffed	360	Ironing Boards	660, 690
Fruit Syrup	360	Iron, Plate or Sheet	365
		Jacks, Oil Well Pumping	365
		Jacks, Well Tool	365
		Jam	(1)
		Jambs, Door	660, 690
		Jelly	(1)

Joists, Rotary Tool and Sucker Rod	365	Kelp	652, 654
Juice, Clam	(1)	Kitchen Cabinets	660, 690
Juice, Fruit	(1)	Lacquers	377
Juice, Tomato	(1)	Lard	360, 730
Juice, Vegetable	(1)	Lard Compounds	360
Kaffir Corn	652, 652, 654	Lard Substitutes	360, 730
Kaoliang	652, 652, 654	Lath	660, 690
		Leaves, cactus	355
		Lentils (M)	653, 654

**Eliminated, Decision No. 56951

(1) See "Canned Goods and Other Articles as described in Item No. 610."

(M) Denotes articles on which application of rates is limited to mixed shipments.

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Correction No. 835

Item No.	SECTION NO. 3	COMMODITY RATES (Continued) In Cents per 100 Pounds
<p>*659-F Cancels 659-E</p>		<p>ITEM CANCELED. CLASS RATES WILL APPLY.</p>
<p>* Change o Increase</p>	<p>) Decision No.</p>	<p>56951</p>
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