

ORIGINALDecision No. 52154

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation into the)
 rates, rules, regulations, charges, allow-)
 ances and practices of all common carriers,)
 highway carriers and city carriers, relating) Case No. 5432
 to the transportation of general commodities)
 (including, but not limited to transporta-)
 tion for which rates are provided in Minimum)
 Rate Tariff No. 2).)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Minimum rates, rules and regulations for the transporta-
 tion of general commodities are prescribed in Minimum Rate Tariff
 No. 2. There are currently contained in Item No. 650-B of Minimum
 Rate Tariff No. 2 point-to-point commodity rates for the trans-
 portation of infusorial or diatomaceous earth in quantities of
 10,000 pounds or more from Lompoc and White Hills to San Francisco
 Territory. These rates are subject to surcharges of varying per-
 centages according to the minimum-weight brackets. The surcharge
 adjustment was interim in nature pending further determination by the
 Commission of just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory minimum rates
 for the transportation of the commodities involved herein.¹

It has been recommended by the California Trucking
 Associations, Inc., that the rate subject to a minimum weight of
 10,000 pounds be eliminated; that the 36,000-pound minimum-truckload
 weight be increased to 40,000 pounds; and that the applicable sur-
 charges be incorporated into the rates.²

A report of the Transportation Division Rate Branch staff,
 which report is hereby made a part of the record in this proceeding.

¹
 Decision No. 55704, dated October 15, 1957, Case No. 5432 (Pet.
 No. 62).

²
 See Exhibit No. 62-27, dated November 1, 1956, in Case No. 5432
 (Pet. No. 62).

and identified as Exhibit No. K-1, recommends the absorption of the surcharges into the rates, retention of the rate for the 10,000-pound weight bracket, and an increase in the minimum-truckload weight to 40,000 pounds. The report shows that adoption of the recommendations would be consistent with the findings of the Commission in Decision No. 55704, supra, both as to the level of the rates and as to the setting of truckload-minimum weights at 40,000 pounds for most commodities in the tariff. Incorporation of the surcharges into the rates will provide uniformity and simplification in applying the tariff, and will affect the rates only in infinitesimal amounts. The staff report shows that some movements take place under the 10,000-pound weight bracket, and that the affected shippers and some of the carriers believe there is a need for such rates.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the modifications in the minimum rates as proposed in Exhibit K-1 in this proceeding are justified and that the minimum rates, rules and regulations as so modified are and will be just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory minimum rates for the transportation of infusorial or diatomaceous earths. Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 will be revised accordingly. This is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) 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 26, 1958, Sixth Revised Page 51, which revised page is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

(2) That tariff publications required to be made by common carriers as a result of the order herein may be made effective not

earlier than the effective date hereof on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public and that such tariff publications shall be made effective not later than September 26, 1958.

(3) That 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 12th day of August, 1958.

E. L. Fox
 President

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Commissioners

RATES ON THIS PAGE ARE NOT SUBJECT TO PROVISIONS OF SUPPLEMENT NO. 41

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MINIMUM RATE TARIFF NO. 2

Item No.	SECTION NO. 3		COMMODITY RATES (Continued) In Cents per 100 Pounds		
	COMMODITY	FROM	TO	RATES	Minimum Weight In Pounds
*650-F Cancel 650-E	Earths, infusorial or diatomaceous	WHITE HILLS LOMPOC	SAN FRANCISCO	(1)80	10,000
			TERRITORY as described in Item No. 270-B	(1)88½ (1)46	20,000 40,000
(1) Subject to Item No. 900.					

*Change)
o Increase) Decision No. 57154

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 26, 1958

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