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Decision No. 58494

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
WALKUP DRAYAGE AND WAREHOUSE COMPANY)
for an order granting permission to)
charge less than minimum rates for)
the transportation of green coffee)
for Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., in)
the City and County of San Francisco.)

Application No. 41039

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common, highway contract and city carrier permits. Prior orders in Application No. 34980 authorized it, as a city carrier, to deviate from the established minimum rates in connection with the transportation of green coffee for Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., from piers on the San Francisco Waterfront to the coffee company's plant in San Francisco. The authorized rate is 8½ cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum weight of 1,000 tons per calendar month, the monthly tonnage averaged over twelve calendar months. The authority is scheduled to expire June 20, 1959.

By this application authority is sought to continue to deviate from the minimum rates for a further one-year period, but to increase the authorized rate to 9 cents to correspond with a similar increase effected in the minimum rate in City Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A on November 24, 1958.

According to the application, there has been no change in the circumstances requiring special rates for the transportation of the commodities involved. The application states that the volume of traffic and the traffic flow are substantially above the minimum requirements applicable to the outstanding authority. It is alleged that the authorized rate has been and is now compensatory, and that

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insofar as can now be foreseen the sought rate will continue to be satisfactory and produce a reasonable profit for the ensuing year.

The application shows that on or about April 15, 1959, a copy was served on the Draymen's Association of San Francisco. No objection has been received to its being granted.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable and consistent with the public interest. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing, IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Walkup Drayage and Warehouse Company is hereby authorized to transport green coffee for Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., from piers on the San Francisco Waterfront to the coffee company's plant in San Francisco, at a rate less than the minimum rate established for such transportation but not less than nine cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 1,000 tons per calendar month, the monthly tonnage to be averaged over twelve calendar months commencing with the month in which the property is first transported.
- (2) That the authority herein granted shall expire
 June 20, 1960, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order
 of the Commission.

This order shall become effective June 20, 1959.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of May, 1959.

President

Commissioners