

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 59635

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application } of H. R. HINSCH, AGENT, for } authority to adjust strike-inter- } ference demurrage rate commensurate with current per diem } charges. }	Application No. 41759
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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, filed December 15, 1959, H. R. Hinsch, Agent of Central Territory Railroads Tariff Bureau, on behalf of the railroads operating in California, seeks authority to increase the intrastate demurrage charges for detention of cars caused by strike interference. Applicant desires authority to amend the California intrastate application of paragraph I of Section G of Rule 8 of his Tariff No. 4-D to conform to interstate, that is, to provide that charges for the detention of cars caused by strike interference shall be \$3.13 per car per day in lieu of \$3.00, resulting in an increase.

The application states that for many years the rail carriers, parties to applicant's tariff, have maintained a reduced charge for detention of cars caused by strike interference. Applicant states that the current charge is based on an amount equal to the prevailing per diem rate plus 25 cents per car per day. It further states that the current rate of \$2.75 is less than the carriers' cost of \$2.88 which must be paid to car-owning roads.

The application shows that on or about November 5, 1959, a copy of the application was served on persons known or believed to have an interest in car demurrage charges in general. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the sought increased charge is justified. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

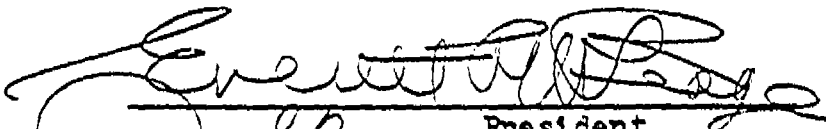
IT IS ORDERED:

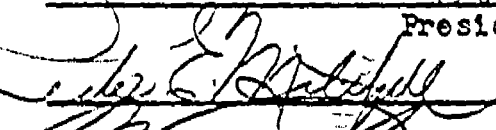
(1) That E. R. Hinsch, Agent, on behalf of the railroads named in Appendix "A" of this application, is hereby authorized to increase, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, the demurrage charge for the detention of cars caused by strike interference to \$3.13 per car per day as proposed in the above-entitled application.

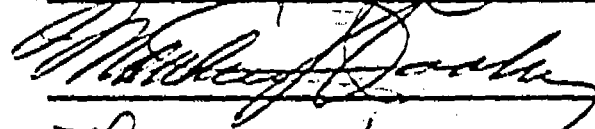
(2) That the authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the date hereof.

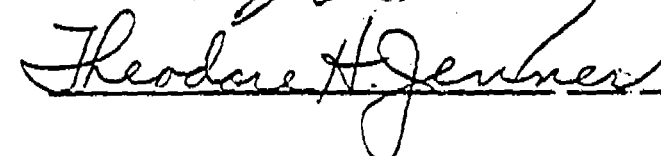
This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of February, 1960.



President






Commissioners