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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ROBERTSON DRAYAGE CO., INC., a California corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transact business as a public warehouseman.

Application No. 41829

Norman R. Moon, for applicant.

Edward E. Tanner, for the Commission staff.

OPINION

Robertson Drayage Co., Inc., requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a public warehouseman in the City of San Jose.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Thomas E. Daly on April 12, 1960, at San Francisco, and the matter was submitted. No appearance was made in protest to the authority sought.

The property is located at 548 West Julian Street, and consists of a frame building 60×130 feet which includes a covered loading platform 30×130 feet.

Applicant has been engaged in a drayage operation for some time. Incidental thereto it has performed a warehouse service. In addition to San Jose, applicant has filed tariffs for public warehouse operations at San Francisco, Oakland, Fresno, Gilroy, Monterey, Redwood City, Salinas and Stockton.

Applicant proposes to file rates that will be competitive with those of the existing warehouses in the San Jose area. As of

February 29, 1960, applicant's liabilities exceeded its assets by \$4,511.17. For the year 1959 it suffered a net loss of \$18,593. It was stated that its financial condition was greatly affected by the financial difficulties experienced by two affiliate companies, i.e., Highway Transport and Highway Transport Express. Said companies are in the process of liquidation and their assets have been assigned for the purpose of satisfying creditors. Applicant as a creditor will assertedly share in such distribution.

Four public witnesses testified on behalf of applicant. They represented large business concerns located in the Bay Area. They stated that their companies make use of applicant's combined drayage and warehouse services and wish to continue such use.

After consideration, the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the authority sought.

ORDER

Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Robertson Drayage Co., Inc., authorizing the operation of 7,800 square feet of warehouse floor space in the City of San Jose for the storage of property as a public utility warehouseman.
- (2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate and concurrently make effective, tariffs satisfactory to the Commission.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

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