Decision No. _____ 61098   ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of PAXTON TRUCKING)
COMPANY to increase charges for)
Low-Bed Services under Section)   Application No. 42738
Nos. 454 and 491 of the California)
Public Utilities Code.)

OPINION AND ORDER

Paxton Trucking Company, a corporation, operates as a highway common carrier for the transportation of certain specified commodities generally statewide between points in California. In connection with its certificate of public convenience and necessity applicant provides a specialized service of transporting heavy machinery and other commodities of abnormal size and weight which, because of such size and weight, require the use of and are transported on low-bed trailers.

By this application, filed October 10, 1960, authority is sought to increase, by from 1 to 13 percent, certain rates and charges in connection with the above service and to make such increases and related adjustments effective on less than statutory notice.[1]

As justification for the proposed increases, the application states that since the most recent adjustments were made in the rates in question, increases have taken place both in the pay scales of labor involved and in other operating costs. Attached to the application are two exhibits showing the development of the increases in such costs. The level of the proposed rates is essentially the same as the developed costs.

Applicant avers that the proposed rates and charges

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[1] The current rates are maintained in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Freight Tariff No. 17-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 33. The proposed adjustments would also result in some reductions.

are substantially on the same level as those currently being assessed by competitive noncertificated low-bed carriers whose operations are exempt from the minimum rate orders of this Commission. Applicant states that shippers are at the present time paying to permitted carriers charges that are no lower, and in most cases higher, than those presented in this application.

The application shows that a copy thereof was served on all known interested parties. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In view of the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed increases are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.
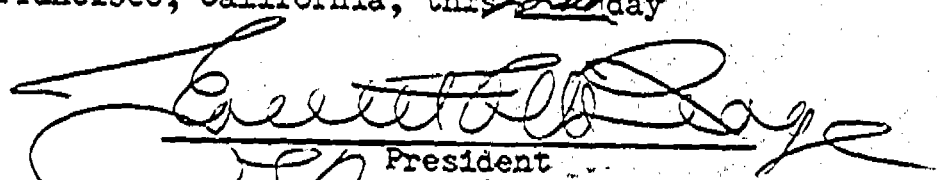
Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Paxton Trucking Company is hereby authorized to establish, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, the proposed rates, rules and regulations set forth in Appendix "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

(2) That the authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date hereof.
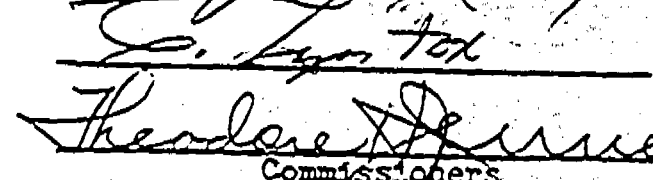
This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of November, 1960

President

Commissioners

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APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION NO. _____ 61098

CHARGES OF PAXTON TRUCKING COMPANY TO BE SHOWN IN ITEMS NOS. 3500
AND 3520 OF WESTERN MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU, INC., AGENT, LOCAL, JOINT
AND PROPORTIONAL FREIGHT TARIFF NO. 17-A, CAL. P.U.C. NO. 33 (Elmer
Ahl, Agent, series),

ITEM NO. 3500 - CHARGES FOR ACCESSORIAL SERVICES

Except as otherwise provided, rates in this section include the
services of driver only. Additional help (other than driver) will
be furnished upon request and charges per hour for such additional
help shall be as follows:

CLASSIFICATION	Straight Time	Overtime
Job superintendent	$7.50	-
Working Foreman	7.00	$9.25
Machinery Helper	5.50	7.75
Dry Freight Helper	4.50	6.50

ITEM NO. 3520 - HOURLY CHARGES FOR LOW-BED EQUIPMENT

WEIGHT IN POUNDS	RATE PER HOUR
6,000 pounds or less	$ 9.60
Over 6,000 pounds but not over 12,000 pounds	10.50
Over 12,000 pounds but not over 20,000 pounds	12.00
Over 20,000 pounds but not over 30,000 pounds	13.15
Over 30,000 pounds but not over 44,000 pounds	14.25
Over 44,000 pounds but not over 60,000 pounds	16.50
Over 60,000 pounds but not over 80,000 pounds	20.50
Over 80.000 pounds but not over 150,000 pounds	25.50
Power booster truck	9.25
Low-Bed Dollies	3.50

(End of Appendix "A")