

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 61103

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, INCORPORATED,)
 for authority (a) to provide collec-)
 tion and delivery of express shipments)
 by motor trucks from Redwood City and)
 San Jose to termini in the Peninsula)
 area; (b) to close its offices now)
 serving said termini; and (c) to)
 change the waybilling of shipments)
 from said offices thereby increasing)
 certain intrastate charges.)

Application No. 42528

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 60890, dated October 18, 1960, in this proceeding, Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, was authorized to consolidate its operations in the Peninsula and Santa Clara Valley areas at the key offices of Redwood City and San Jose, respectively. By its Petition for Modification, filed November 7, 1960, applicant seeks certain modification in the above-mentioned authorization.

The aforesaid petition seeks to change the base for the Peninsula operations under the above-mentioned consolidation plan from Redwood City to San Carlos. The Redwood City office would be closed, and the San Carlos office opened, coincident with the inauguration of the consolidation of Peninsula operations. The petition alleges that at all times prior to the date when Application No. 42528 was submitted for decision applicant believed that a suitable site for a new terminal, adequate for the proposed consolidated operations, could be found in Redwood City;¹ that, after diligent search, applicant has been unable to find such a site in Redwood City, those available having been found to be unsatisfactory because of location, size,

¹ As pointed out in Decision No. 60890, in this proceeding, the present location of the Agency's Redwood City office is inadequate for the purposes of the consolidation plan.

price or zoning; and that applicant has found a site in San Carlos which is suitable in all respects for the construction and operation of a key office and terminal to serve the Peninsula area. This site, the petition further alleges, is located approximately nine tenths of a mile northwest of the city limits of Redwood City.

Assertedly, the relief sought by the petition, if granted, would not affect the service to be offered under the consolidation plan as set forth in the application herein. It would simply change the base of operations for the Peninsula consolidation area from Redwood City to San Carlos.

Copies of the petition were served by applicant on officials of the cities, including Redwood City, located in the consolidation area and on other carriers serving said area. No protests have been received.

Upon consideration, we are of the opinion and hereby find that the modifications in Decision No. 60890 sought by the aforesaid petition have been justified. The petition will be granted.

We further find that findings 1 and 2 in said decision should be changed to read as follows:

"1. That consolidation in a proposed San Carlos office and in the San Jose office of applicant of the service now rendered through the twelve offices herein proposed to be closed will not be adverse to the public interest."

"2. That, concurrently with consolidation of said service in applicant's proposed San Carlos office and in its San Jose office, public convenience and necessity will no longer require applicant to maintain any of said twelve offices."

The order in Decision No. 60890 will be modified in accordance with the foregoing findings.

Applicant requests that the order authorizing the relief sought by the aforesaid petition be made effective seven days after its date. Under the circumstances the request appears reasonable. It will be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the order in Decision No. 60890 in Application No. 42528 is hereby amended as follows:

1. The first paragraph of numbered paragraph 1 is changed to read as follows:

"1. Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, is authorized, concurrently with the consolidation of service in its proposed San Carlos office and in its San Jose office, as proposed in the application, as amended, filed herein, to discontinue its offices at Agnew, Belmont, Burlingame, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Redwood City, San Mateo, Saratoga, South San Francisco and Sunnyvale, subject to the following conditions:"

2. Subparagraphs (a) and (b) of said numbered paragraph 1 remain unchanged.

In all other respects said Decision No. 60890 shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

Robert B. Boye
President

John L. Dittell

William J. Gualu

E. Lynn Fox

Theodore J. Jensen
Commissioners