

Decision No. 61278

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
RAVISCIONI TRUCKING, INC., a cor-)	
poration, for an extension of the)	
order authorizing departure from)	
the rates, rules and regulations)	
of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2,)	Application No. 42844
pursuant to the provisions of)	
Section 3666 of the Public Utilities)	
Code for the transportation of Alfalfa)	
Pellets from the Murietta Farms Plant,)	
twelve miles southwest of Mendota to)	
Kerman.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and highway contract carrier permits. Decision No. 59403, dated December 15, 1959, in Application No. 41354, authorized it to transport alfalfa pellets in bulk from Murietta Farms to Kerman at a rate less than the established minimum rate but not less than five cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum weight of 45,000 pounds. The authority is scheduled to expire January 4, 1961. By this application, filed November 9, 1960, an extension of the current authority is sought.

A description of the transportation herein involved is set forth in said Decision No. 59403. As stated therein, there is no delay at either point of origin or destination; loading and unloading may be accomplished at carrier's convenience at any time during the 24-hour period; and the average number of round trips is three per day, and the average load is 25 tons. It was found in Decision No. 59403 that, while no specific study has been made of the cost of performing the service in question, the record contained sufficient evidence upon which to reach the conclusion that applicant would be able to perform the transportation of alfalfa pellets in bulk from

Murietta Farms to Kerman at the sought rate on a compensatory basis.

According to the current application, the present conditions and circumstances surrounding this transportation are identical in all respects to those set forth in applicant's prior application except that the cost per truck-mile has increased. Applicant alleges that the transportation is profitable even when computed on present costs.

As in the prior application, applicant has not developed a specific study of the cost of performing the particular transportation service herein involved. However, the current application contains a statement of the over-all experience, from which it appears that applicant is earning a net income of \$19.70 per truck per day under current conditions.

In view of the relatively favorable conditions under which the services herein involved are performed, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. However, as the conditions surrounding the transportation may change, the extension will be limited to one year unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission. Due to the expiration date of the current authority, the following order will be made effective January 4, 1961.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

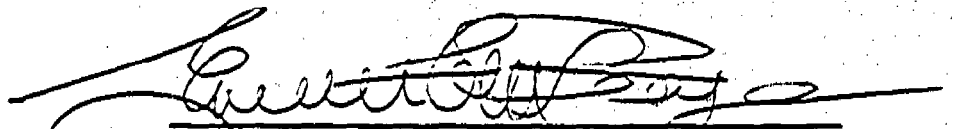
IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Raviscioni Trucking, Inc., is hereby authorized to transport alfalfa pellets in bulk from Murietta Farms, located twelve miles southwest of Mendota, to Kerman, at a rate less than the minimum rate, but not less than five cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum weight of 45,000 pounds.


(2) That the authority herein granted shall expire January 4, 1962, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.


The effective date of this order shall be January 4, 1961.

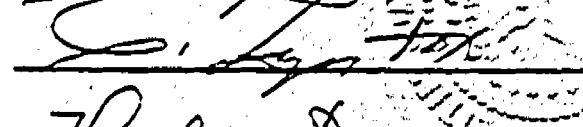
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of December, 1960.

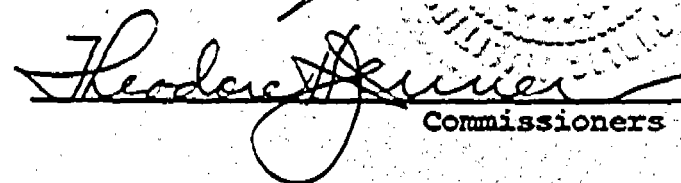


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