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Decision No. \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of SIGNAL TRUCKING SERVICE, LTD., )  
a corporation, for authority to )  
depart from the rates, rules, and )  
regulations of Minimum Rate Tariff ) Application No. 43345  
No. 5, Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, )  
and Minimum Rate Tariff No. 8, under )  
the provisions of the City Carriers' )  
Act and the Highway Carriers' Act. )

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 60232, dated June 6, 1960, in Application No. 42207, applicant was authorized to assess charges on a basis less than the established minimum rates in connection with the transportation of merchandise and store supplies for The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company from that company's Los Angeles warehouse to its retail stores in southern California. The authority is scheduled to expire June 25, 1961.

By this application, filed April 24, 1961, authority is sought to continue to assess charges on a basis less than the minimum rates, but to adjust the currently authorized rates upward by amounts ranging from one cent to two and one-half cents per 100 pounds.<sup>1</sup> Applicant states that since the date of Decision No. 60232, supra, it has experienced certain increases in operating costs and therefore proposes increases in the composite rates.

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<sup>1</sup> No authority for the increases is required from this Commission inasmuch as applicant is a highway permit carrier for which only minimum rates have been established. Authority to continue the use of the sought rates beyond June 25, 1961, is required, however, as these rates are in some instances below the minimum rates otherwise applicable.

Applicant alleges that, based upon its experience over the many years it has handled this traffic and taking into consideration the rates proposed herein, it is satisfied that it can continue to provide the service at a satisfactory profit and that said rates are fully compensatory.

The application shows that on or about April 21, 1961, a copy thereof was served on California Trucking Associations, Inc. No objection to its being granted has been received. The Transportation Division staff has reviewed the verified application and has recommended that it be granted.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rates are reasonable and consistent with the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

Because the conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the authority will be made to expire at the end of one year.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

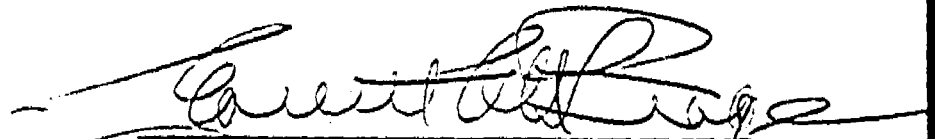


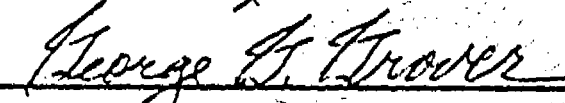
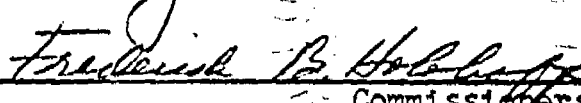
(1) That Signal Trucking Service, Ltd., is hereby authorized to depart from the provisions of the minimum rate orders otherwise applicable to the services which it performs for The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company to the extent specifically provided in Appendix "A" which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

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(2) That the authority herein granted shall, on and after June 25, 1961, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 60232, and shall expire with June 25, 1962.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 1961.

  
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Commissioners

The authority herein granted applies only in connection with property transported by Signal Trucking Service, Ltd. (hereinafter called "the carrier") for The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company (hereinafter called "the shipper") between points in southern California area south or southerly of, and including, the cities of Santa Barbara and Taft.

### Section I

The authority granted in this section applies only to shipments of property which originate at shipper's warehouse located at 4510 S. Boyle Avenue, Los Angeles, and which are delivered to shipper's retail stores in southern California area as above described.

Item 1. The carrier is authorized to classify, for rate purposes, shipments of property (see Note) which are subject to the provisions of this Section as follows:

(a) Shipments subject to a minimum weight of 20,000 pounds:

<u>Percent of total weight of shipments</u>	<u>Rate as</u>
.011	150% of 1st Class
.114	110% of 1st Class
9.437	1st Class
13.288	2nd Class
6.770	3rd Class
69.108	4th Class
1.242	90% of 4th Class

(b) Shipments subject to a minimum weight of less than 20,000 pounds:

Rate as third class.

Note: The term "property" as used in this item means those articles of merchandise and store supplies listed in Exhibit No. 3-G in Application No. 31378 and merchandise and store supplies of similar nature or purpose.

Item 2. The carrier is authorized to assess and collect charges for the transportation of property classified in accordance with the provisions of Item 1 above on the basis of composite rates representing the percentage distributions shown therein.

- Item 3. In connection with the computation and collection of charges for a shipment transported in split-delivery service, the carrier is authorized to apply the additional charges provided in Item No. 170 series of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 and in Item No. 180 series of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 8 on the basis of the average weight, instead of the actual weights, of several component parts of the shipment.

Section II

- Item 1. The carrier is authorized to use, in lieu of other shipping documents, the forms of documents submitted as part of Exhibit No. 3 in Application No. 31378, provided that:

- (a) The documents shall contain all of the information necessary for an accurate determination of the applicable rates and charges; and
- (b) The documents covering each shipment, if separated, shall be cross-referenced and filed in a manner permitting ready assembly.

The term "groceries" may be used to identify collectively, in the shipping documents herein authorized, the various articles of merchandise and other property which are classified in accordance with the provisions of Item 1, Section I, above.

- Item 2. The carrier is authorized to assess a charge of \$10.50 per day per semi-trailer for the use by shipper of semi-trailers without tractors.
- Item 3. The carrier is authorized to use, without assessing additional charges therefor, employees other than drivers, in lieu of drivers, for loading its vehicles.

(End of Appendix "A")