

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 62039

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
HARRY MCKENZIE TRUCKING CO., a corpora-)
tion, for an order authorizing departure)
from the rates, rules and regulations of) Application No. 43350
Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, pursuant to)
the provisions of Section 3666 of the)
Public Utilities Code for the transpor-)
tation of brandy.)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 60156, dated May 24, 1960, in Application No. 42155, applicant was authorized to transport brandy, in barrels, for Fromm & Sichel, Inc., between Lac Jac, on the one hand, and Biola, Fowler and Monmouth, on the other hand, at rates less than the established minimum rates. The current authority is scheduled to expire June 17, 1961.

By this application filed April 25, 1961, applicant seeks authority to continue the current authorization for a further period of one year and to establish an additional less-than-minimum rate for the transportation of brandy, in barrels, between Lac Jac and Mission Bell. Authority is also sought to adjust the rates from 15 to 16 cents per 100 pounds between Lac Jac and Biola and from 12 to 12.5 cents per 100 pounds between Lac Jac, on the one ¹ hand; and Fowler and Monmouth, on the other hand.

¹ Applicant does not require Commission authority to increase the rates inasmuch as it is a permit carrier for which only minimum rates have been established. Authority for the use of the sought rates beyond June 17, 1961, is required, however, as the rates sought will be below the minimum rates otherwise applicable.

According to the application, the profit from the operations here involved has been satisfactory to applicant. Applicant states that, except for increased labor costs, the general conditions concerning the transportation characteristics have remained virtually unchanged since the current authority was granted. It is alleged that the sought increase in rates will offset increased labor costs; that the volume of traffic under the proposed rates will be comparable to the amount hauled in past years; that operations have been compensatory; and that they are expected to continue to be profitable for the ensuing year under the proposed rates.

The application shows that on or about April 25, 1961, a copy thereof was served on various parties believed to be interested, including the 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 between the points specified are reasonable. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Harry McKenzie Trucking Co., a corporation, is hereby authorized under Section 3666 of the Public Utilities Code to transport brandy, in barrels, between Lac Jac, on the one hand, and Biola, Fowler, Monmouth and Mission Bell, on the other hand, for Fromm & Sichel, Inc., at rates less than the established minimum

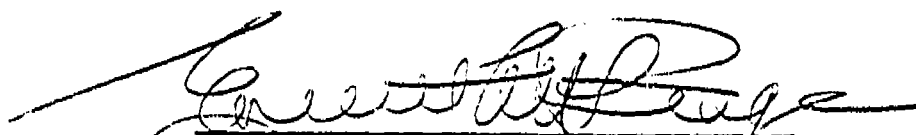


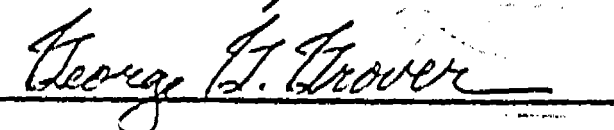

rates but not less than the following, subject to a minimum weight of 40,000 pounds per shipment:

<u>Between Lac Jac and</u>	<u>RATE (In Cents per 100 Pounds)</u>
Biola	16
Fowler	12.5
Monmouth	12.5
Mission Bell	18

(2) That the authority herein granted shall, on and after June 17, 1961, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 60156, and shall expire with June 17, 1962.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22^d day of May, 1961.


President




Commissioners