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Decision No. _____62700

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of H. A. ROCHLITZ and E. J. ROCHLITZ, Co-partners doing business as H. A. & E. J. ROCHLITZ TRUCKING, for Authority to Depart from the Provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

Application No. 43781 (Filed September 21, 1961)

OPINION AND ORDER

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By Decision No. 59851, dated March 29, 1960, in Application No. 41879, applicants were authorized to use an estimated weight of 3.04 pounds per board foot in lieu of securing actual weights for shipments of dry and green fir lumber transported from Hoopa to Arcata. The authority expired April 18, 1961. By this application, authority again is sought to use an estimated weight of 3.04 pounds per board foot in lieu of actual weights for this transportation.

Applicants allege that conditions have not changed since the granting of the prior authority; that there is no public scale available to issue certified weights of applicants' trucks along the route of movement; that the nearest scale of this type is located in Eureka, approximately ten miles south of the terminal point of applicants' haul; and that weighing of the loads would thus require off-route travel of approximately twenty miles per round trip, incurring heavy expenses due to additional mileage and standby time while waiting in line for weighing.

Applicants state that on the basis of years of experience they have determined that one-half of all lumber hauled by them is green fir and the other half thereof is dry, and that the average weight of the lumber so transported is 3.04 pounds per board foot.

The application shows that copies thereof were served on competing carriers and California Trucking Associations, Inc. No

authority will be made to expire at the end of one year.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that applicants' proposal is reasonable. 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

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

- (1) H. A. Rochlitz and E. J. Rochlitz are hereby authorized, in lieu of securing actual weights of shipments of dry and green fir lumber transported from Hoopa to Arcata, to use an estimated weight of 3.04 pounds per board foot.
- (2) The authority herein granted shall expire with November 30, 1962.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17 day of October, 1961.

President