

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 62933

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation)
into the rates, rules, regulations,)
charges, allowances and practices)
of all common carriers, highway)
carriers and city carriers relating)
to the transportation of any and)
all commodities between and within)
all points and places in the State)
of California (including, but not)
limited to, transportation for which)
rates are provided in Minimum Rate)
Tariff No. 2).)

Case No. 5432
Petition for Modification
No. 243
(Filed December 7, 1961)

OPINION AND ORDER

A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco, a corporation, operates as a highway common carrier transporting certain wearing apparel and merchandise between points in an area generally encompassed by Ignacio, Napa, Sacramento, Stockton, Modesto and San Jose; and, also store and office furniture and equipment, when in mixed shipments with the aforesaid commodities, between points within a described San Francisco Territory.¹ Among other things, petitioner has been authorized to publish a vehicle unit rate of \$7.40 per hour for transportation of commodities covered by its certificate, limited to shipments of 4,500 pounds or less and subject to other specified conditions. The published rate is scheduled to expire December 25, 1961.

¹ It also holds permits to operate as a radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier which are not involved in this proceeding.

Petitioner now seeks to continue to apply a vehicle unit rate, with the rules and regulations applicable thereto, for a further period of one year to December 25, 1962, but at the hourly rate of \$7.70 rather than \$7.40 as now authorized, and to file and publish said rate, rules and regulations upon five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

As justification for the extension and continuation of its current authority to assess an hourly vehicle unit rate, petitioner alleges that, except for increased labor costs, conditions upon which the initial request was predicated continue to exist, and that under the rate herein proposed it will receive a satisfactory return from the operation during the coming year. A cost study attached to the petition indicates that the proposed operation will be profitable.²

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed hourly vehicle unit rate of \$7.70 is reasonable and justified by transportation conditions. A public hearing is not necessary. The sought authority will be granted. Due to the expiration date of the current rate authority, the following order will be made effective on the date hereof.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco is hereby authorized, on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to establish and publish a vehicle unit rate of \$7.70 per hour for the transportation set forth in Appendix A which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, said rate to be published to expire December 25, 1962.

² The proposed rate of \$7.70 per hour is the same as the vehicle unit rate established by the Commission as minimum in its Decision No. 62599, dated September 25, 1961, in Case No. 5441, Petition for Modification No. 52, for similar service within the City of San Francisco.

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This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day of
December, 1961.

Emmett B. Leaga
President
John E. Mitchell
George H. Hoover

Commissioners

C. Lyn Fox

Commissioner Frederick B. Holoboff, being
necessarily absent, did not participate
in the disposition of this proceeding.

APPENDIX A TO DECISION NO. 62933

RATE AND RULES FOR TRANSPORTATION
PERFORMED BY A & B GARMENT DELIVERY
OF SAN FRANCISCO UNDER HOURLY
VEHICLE UNIT RATE.

A & B Garment Delivery of San Francisco is authorized to assess a rate of \$7.70 per hour for the transportation of garments, clothing, wearing apparel and merchandise incidental thereto; and also store and office furniture and equipment and advertising materials when shipped with the foregoing commodities, between retail stores and warehouses thereof, between:

- (a) All points in the San Francisco Territory and within five miles of the boundary thereof.
- (b) All points on U.S. Highway 101 between San Francisco and junction with State Highway 37, one mile north of Ignacio, inclusive, including all off-route points within three miles of the said route, and the off-route points of Belvedere, Tiburon, Mill Valley, San Anselmo, Fairfax and Novato; and
- (c) All points on State Highway 24 between Oakland and Walnut Creek, inclusive.

The above transportation is subject to the following limitations and conditions:

- (1) Shipments shall not exceed 4,500 pounds.
- (2) Minimum charge will be \$7.70.
- (3) No shipments of property shall be transported from retail stores or retail sales warehouses where the property has been sold at retail by a retail merchant.
- (4) Time shall be computed from the time the vehicle leaves carrier's place of business until it arrives back at said place of business.
- (5) Rate authorized above applies for service performed during regular working hours of 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and the following holidays: New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Decoration (Memorial) Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Admission Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. When such holidays fall on Sunday

the following Monday shall be considered a holiday. For services performed at the request of the shipper or consignee at other than said regular working hours and on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays shown, an additional charge equal to the actual additional overtime cost will be made.

- (6) Actual bridge tolls shall be added to the above rate when such facilities are used.
- (7) Rate authorized above applies for the exclusive use of equipment furnished.

End of Appendix A