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Decision No.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of SAN FRANCISCO WAREHOUSE CO., a corporation, for authorization to transport rice for C. E. GROSJEAN) RICE MILLING CO. within San Francisco at rate below minimum rate prescribed by City Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A.

Application No. 43971 (Filed November 30, 1961)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 61314, dated January 4, 1961, in Application No. 42908, San Francisco Warehouse Co. was authorized as a city carrier to charge less than the established minimum rate for the transportation of rice, in sacks, from the plant of C. E. Grosjean Rice Milling Co. in San Francisco to piers on the San Francisco waterfront. The authority is scheduled to expire January 27, 1962.

By this application, authority is sought to continue to charge less than the minimum rate otherwise applicable. Applicant requests also that the authority be modified by adjusting the rate of 9½ cents to 10 cents per 100 pounds.

The application states that the conditions under which applicant performs the transportation herein involved are generally the same as those prevailing at the time prior authorization was granted, except for increases in costs of doing business. A cost study attached to the application indicates that the service in question can be conducted at a reasonable profit by the applicant under the proposed rate. The Transportation Division staff has reviewed the verified application and has recommended that the

sought authority be granted.

¹ No authority for the increase is required, inasmuch as applicant performs the transportation as a city carrier for which only minimum rates have been established. Authority to continue the use of the sought rate beyond January 27, 1962, is required however, inasmuch as the rate is below the minimum rate otherwise applicable.

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The application states that on or about November 29, 1961, a copy was served on the Draymen's Association of San Francisco, Inc., and that applicant has been authorized by the secretary of that association to state that the organization has no objection to the granting of the application.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable and consistent with the public interest. This is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. However, since the conditions surrounding the transportation may change, the extension will be limited to one year.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

(1) San Francisco Warehouse Co., a corporation, operating as a city carrier, is hereby authorized to transport rice, in sacks, for C. E. Grosjean Rice Milling Co. from the latter company's plant in San Francisco to piers on the San Francisco waterfront at a rate less than the established minimum rate, but not less than 10 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 20,000 pounds, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The rice shall be palletized by the shipper on the shipper's pallets and loaded onto applicant's vehicles by the shipper.
- (b) Applicant shall not be required to remove the rice from the pallets.
- (c) The weight on which charges are assessed shall not include the weight of the pallets.
- (d) The empty pallets shall be returned from the piers to the rice company's plant without charge.
- (e) The shipper shall tender to applicant for the transportation involved herein a minimum of 1,000 tons of rice per calendar year.

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(2) The authority herein granted shall, on and afterJanuary 27, 1962, supersede the authority granted by DecisionNo. 61314, and shall expire with January 27, 1963.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this $\frac{7+4}{2}$ day of JANUARY . 1962. President commissioners