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Decision No. 63209

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 regula-)
tions of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 5,)
and Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, under)
the provisions of the City Carriers')
Act and of the Highway Carriers' Act.)

Application No. 44047
(Filed December 22, 1961)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 61384, dated January 24, 1961, in Application No. 42970, applicant was authorized to assess charges on a basis different than the established minimum rates, under Sections 3666 and 4015 of the Public Utilities Code, in connection with transportation performed for The Procter and Gamble Distributing Company from the shipper's factory and warehouses in southern California to the shipper's customers in southern and central California. The current authority is scheduled to expire February 22, 1962.

By this application, applicant seeks an extension of the current authority for a further one-year period. That authority permits applicant to use various documents prepared by the shipper in the regular course of business as shipping documents in lieu of those otherwise required under the minimum rate orders, and it authorizes applicant to assess additional charges for split delivery service based on a fixed rate of 29 cents per 100

pounds, in lieu of the split delivery charges otherwise prescribed as minimum. Applicant now proposes to increase the latter rate to 31 cents per 100 pounds.¹

In justification of the authority herein sought, applicant alleges that the authority to depart from the provisions of the minimum rate order otherwise applicable in connection with the services herein involved has been extended annually by successive decisions of the Commission for a number of years and that the conditions which resulted in the original authorization continue to exist.

The verified application shows that, on or about December 22, 1961, a copy thereof was mailed to 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 the sought authority be granted.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed bases of charges are reasonable and consistent with the public interest. This is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

¹ No authority for the increase is required from this Commission, inasmuch as applicant is a permitted carrier for which only minimum rates have been established. Authority for the use of the sought rate after February 22, 1962, is required, however, inasmuch as it will be on a basis different from that prescribed in the minimum rate orders, and, in some instances, below the minimum rates otherwise applicable. According to applicant, the proposed increase in the split-delivery rate approximates the increase established in the minimum rates by Decision No. 62782, dated November 7, 1961, in Case No. 5432.

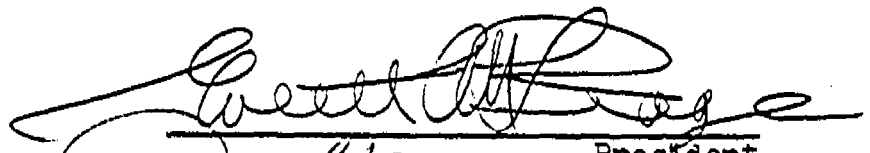

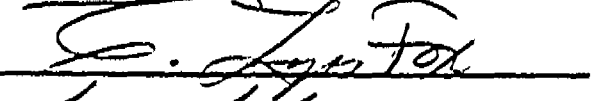
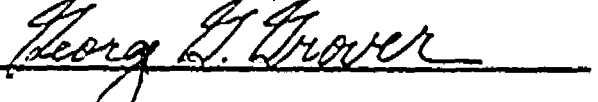
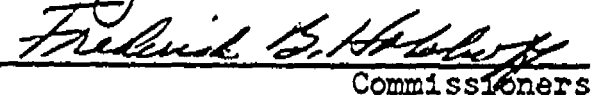
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(1) Signal Trucking Service, Ltd., is hereby authorized to depart from the provisions of the minimum rate orders otherwise applicable in connection with certain services performed for The Procter and Gamble Distributing Company, to the extent specifically provided in Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

(2) The authority herein granted shall, on and after February 22, 1962, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 61384 and shall expire with February 22, 1963.

This order shall become effective February 22, 1962.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of February, 1962.


President




Commissioners

APPENDIX A TO DECISION NO. 63209

The authority herein granted applies only in connection with property transported by Signal Trucking Service, Ltd. (hereinafter called "the carrier") for The Procter & Gamble Distributing Company between points in California south of an east-west line through the City of Madera:

1. The carrier is authorized to use, in lieu of other shipping documents, the forms of documents submitted as Exhibits Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Application No. 31459, provided:

(a) The documents collectively shall contain all information necessary to an accurate determination of the applicable rate and charge, except that weights, where standardized, need not be shown.

(b) Documents covering each shipment, if separated, shall be cross-referenced and filed in a manner permitting ready assembly.

(c) A copy of each document shall be retained and preserved by the carrier, subject to the inspection of any authorized representative of the Commission, for a period of not less than three years from the date of its issuance.

2. The carrier is authorized, in connection with split-delivery shipments originating at Long Beach, to apply an additional charge of 31 cents per 100 pounds in lieu of the additional split delivery charges set forth in Item No. 170 of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. This charge shall be made in addition to the line-haul rate.

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)