

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 63725

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of M. A. NELSON, Agent, for author-)
ity to cancel rates on cement in)
bulk from California points for)
delivery to off-rail locations)
within delivery limits of Vanguard,)
Calif.)

Application No. 44361
(Filed April 18, 1962)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, M. A. Nelson, Agent, on behalf of carriers parties to Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau, seeks authority to cancel certain rates applicable to the transportation of bulk cement from California points for delivery to off-rail locations within the delivery limits of Vanguard.¹

The application states that the rates were established in September 1958 to move a large volume of cement used in connection with the rehabilitation of the Lemoore Naval Air Base; that the rehabilitation work was completed some time ago; that there have been no recent shipments of bulk cement for off-rail delivery to this air base; and that the air base is the only facility in the area within the delivery limits of Vanguard which can feasibly use bulk cement in any volume. The application further states that the facilities used to transfer the cement from covered hopper cars to trucks were removed recently and relocated at Hanford to service another off-rail delivery job in that area, and as a result of all of these factors there is no future prospect of movements under the rates sought to be canceled.

¹ Vanguard is a rail point located on the Coalinga Branch of the Southern Pacific Company approximately ten miles west of Lemoore in Kings County.

Applicant alleges that the discontinuance of these off-rail delivery rates will not jeopardize any possible later moderate spot movement of bulk cement to the air base, as bulk rates from all of the cement mills involving railhead delivery will be continued in effect in connection with which consignees could make their own arrangements for truck delivery.

The application shows that, on or about April 9, 1962, a copy thereof was mailed to interested shippers and competing carriers. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that applicant's proposal to cancel the rates herein involved is justified. A public hearing does not appear necessary. The application will be granted.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

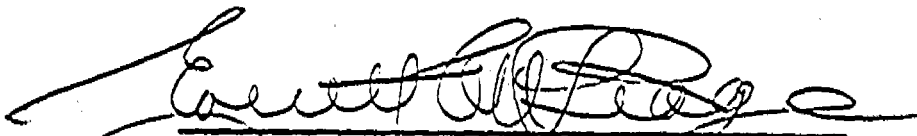
1. M. A. Nelson, Agent, Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau, is hereby authorized to cancel the rates named in Item No. 1275 of Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau Tariff No. 88-V which include delivery to off-rail locations within the delivery limits of Vanguard as defined in Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau Tariff No. 247-J.

2. The tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

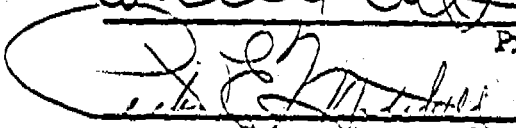
3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

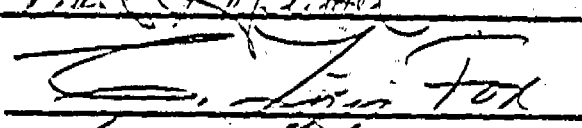
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of May, 1962.



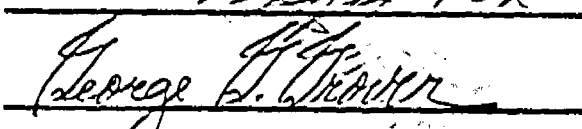
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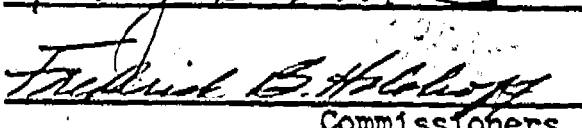
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