

Decision No. 64005

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of PONY EXPRESS, a California )  
corporation, to charge less than )  
the minimum rates established by )  
the California Public Utilities )  
Commission as authorized in Section )  
3666 of the Public Utilities Code )  
of the State of California. )

Application No. 44500  
(Filed May 31, 1962)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 62405, dated August 8, 1961, in Application No. 43580, applicant's predecessor partnership was authorized, as a highway contract carrier, to observe a second-class rating for the transportation of automobile parts and accessories in lieu of the actual classification on each article for General Motors Corporation, General Motors Parts Division, from that company's Van Nuys warehouse to points in southern California. The rates the partnership was authorized to assess are the second-class rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. The authority is scheduled to expire September 12, 1962. By this application applicant seeks authority to continue the deviation from the minimum rates previously authorized to the partnership.

According to the application, important economies in time and effort in rating and billing have been effected, and the revenues returned under the rates assessed pursuant to the current authority have equaled or exceeded the revenues which would have been realized had the shipments been classified. Applicant states that two studies made in May, 1962, show that greater over-all revenue accrued under the authorized second-class rating than would have accrued under the actual classification ratings.

The application shows that on or about May 24, 1962, a copy thereof was served on California Trucking Associations, Inc. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed basis of rating and charges is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. However, as the conditions surrounding the transportation may change, the extension will be limited to one year.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pony Express, a corporation, is hereby authorized to assess a second-class rating in lieu of the classification ratings otherwise applicable, at rates not less than the second class rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, for the transportation of automobile parts and accessories from the General Motors Corporation, General Motors Parts Division warehouse in Van Nuys to points in southern California.

2. The authority granted herein shall, on and after the effective date hereof, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 62405, and shall expire with September 12, 1963.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of July, 1962.

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