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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Consolidated Freightways)
Corporation of Delaware, a corporation,)
for authority to charge less than mini-)
mum rates for the transportation of)
calcined petroleum coke.)

Application No. 44732
(Filed August 27, 1962)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. It also holds certificates to operate as a highway common carrier and as a petroleum irregular route carrier between points not involved in this proceeding.

By Decision No. 62660, dated October 10, 1961, in Application No. 43731, applicant was authorized, as a highway contract carrier, to assess a rate less than the applicable minimum rate on certain transportation which it performs for Great Lakes Carbon Corporation. That authority is scheduled to expire with October 19, 1962. By this application, it seeks authority to continue to assess the authorized rate for a period of one additional year.

The transportation herein involved is the movement of calcined petroleum coke, in bulk, from the coke calcining plant of Great Lakes Carbon Corporation, at Wilmington, to the Port of Long Beach, for subsequent transfer into vessels for export. The distance between the point of origin and point of destination is approximately five miles. The authorized rate is 54 cents per ton.

According to the application, the export movements are irregular and are responsive to orders received from customers as well as to arrivals at Long Beach of vessels that are bound for ports of call to which the coke is consigned. The application states that

these vessel movements average from two to four each month, and each vessel accepts from 2,000 to 9,000 tons. It is also stated that, notwithstanding the fact the movement herein is not continuous, the heavy volume handled in loading each vessel and the extraordinarily efficient bulk loading facilities being utilized combine to make the sought rate fully compensatory.

Applicant states that it has maintained detailed and accurate figures of the cost of the transportation involved herein. Its revised study, identified as Appendix A to the application, indicates that it can continue to perform this transportation at a profit at the authorized rate.

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

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the sought rate is reasonable for the transportation involved herein. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. In view of the impending expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective on October 19, 1962.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Consolidated Freightways Corporation of Delaware, a corporation, is hereby authorized to transport calcined petroleum coke, in bulk, for Great Lakes Carbon Corporation, from that shipper's calcining plant at Wilmington to the Port of Long Beach at a rate of not less than 54 cents per ton in lieu of the minimum rate otherwise applicable.

2. The authority granted herein shall, on and after October 19, 1962, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 62660 and shall expire with October 19, 1963.

This order shall become effective October 19, 1962.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of October, 1962.

George W. Hoover
President

Paul E. D'Amico

John J. Fox

Robert W. Page

Frederick B. Hoffmann
Commissioners