

Decision No. 65171**ORIGINAL**

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of: )  
 Glen E. Whitlock and George A. Prall, )  
 dba Palo Verde Valley Warehouse and )  
 Storage Company, Blythe, California, )  
 for a certificate of public con- )  
 venience and necessity to operate )  
 as a warehouseman in Blythe, pur- )  
 suant to Section 1051 of the Public )  
 Utilities Code. )

Application No. 44969  
 (Filed November 26, 1962)

O P I N I O N

Glen E. Whitlock and George A. Prall, doing business as Palo Verde Valley Warehouse and Storage Company, by this application, as supplemented, request authority to operate a public warehouse at Blythe, California. Said applicants own the controlling interest in Blythe Transportation, a California corporation, which is now operating as a highway common carrier pursuant to a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in Decision No. 59595, dated February 1, 1960. The corporation also holds Radial Highway Common Carrier, City Carrier and Household Goods Carrier permits numbers 33-2132, 33-2715 and 33-2716, respectively. The certificate authorizes the transportation of general commodities between Los Angeles, Riverside and Indio, on the one hand, and Blythe and points within a 25-mile radius of Blythe, on the other hand; and liquors, beverages, cement, and other specified commodities, between certain points all as more specifically set forth in the aforesaid decision.

Applicant's warehouse facility consists of a new fireproof building located at 14-480 South Broadway in Blythe. The building

is 60 feet by 100 feet. Four thousand eight hundred square feet thereof will be utilized for the storage of general commodities, the remaining 1,200 feet will consist of 750 square feet of dock space and 450 square feet of office space.

Applicant alleges that Blythe is an important railway and motor gateway into Southern California and Southern Arizona and that public convenience and necessity require the establishment of a warehouse for the storage of general commodities; that new business and population growth in the Blythe area justify the granting of this application, and that there is a demand for additional warehouse and storage space.

Applicant filed a proposed tariff with its application which is somewhat similar to California Warehouse Tariff Bureau, Warehouse Tariff No. 28-A, issued by Jack L. Dawson, agent, Cal. P.U.C. No. 193. Principal commodities proposed to be stored are such as are handled by local merchants. Applicant does not intend to store commodities requiring the use of special refrigeration or temperature control or special-type equipment.

A financial statement filed with the application shows the net worth of one of the partners, as of March 6, 1962, to be in excess of \$325,000.

A copy of the application was mailed to Western Truck Lines, Ltd., a corporation which has a prescriptive operative right for the operation of 2,200 square feet of storage or warehouse space in Blythe.

The application is not opposed.

The Commission having considered the matter, finds that public convenience and necessity require the transaction of business

of warehouseman by applicant as hereinafter set forth. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Glen E. Whitlock and George A. Prall, authorizing them to operate as a public utility warehouseman, as defined in Section 239(b) of the Public Utilities Code, in the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as more particularly set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. By accepting the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, applicant is placed on notice that it will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of its operations. Failure to file such reports, in such form and at such time as the Commission may direct, may result in a cancellation of the public utility warehouse operations authorized by this decision.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in the Commission's office in triplicate tariffs satisfactory to the Commission.

(c) The tariff filings shall be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the service herein authorized.

(d) The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 61-A.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2nd day of APRIL, 1963.

George A. Grover  
President

Robert W. Page

Frederic B. Halbach

Dalhousie W. Bennett  
Commissioners

## Appendix A

Glen E. Whitlock and George A. Prall  
 doing business as  
 Palo Verde Valley Warehouse and Storage Company

Glen E. Whitlock and George A. Prall, by certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, are authorized to operate as a public utility warehouseman for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as follows:

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Square Feet of Floor Space</u>
General commodities	City of Blythe	4,800

(The floor space shown above is exclusive of the 50,000 square feet of expansion permissible under Section 1051 of the Public Utilities Code).

End of Appendix A

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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