

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 65597

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
WALKUP DRAYAGE AND WAREHOUSE COMPANY)
for an order granting permission to)
charge less than minimum rates for the)
transportation of green coffee for)
Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., in the City)
and County of San Francisco.)

Application No. 45440
(Filed May 16, 1963)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 63679 dated May 8, 1962, in Application No. 44333, applicant was authorized to charge less than the established minimum rates in connection with the transportation of green coffee for Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., from piers on the San Francisco waterfront to the coffee company's plant in San Francisco. The authorized rate is 10½ cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum weight of 1,000 tons per calendar month, the monthly tonnage averaged over twelve calendar months. The authority is scheduled to expire June 20, 1963.

By this application, authority is sought to continue the deviation from the established minimum rates for a further one-year period. Applicant also requests that the authority be modified by increasing the authorized rate from 10½ cents to 11½ cents per 100 pounds.¹

¹No authority for the increase is required inasmuch as applicant performs the transportation as a city carrier for which only minimum rates have been established. Authority to continue the use of the sought rate beyond June 20, 1963, is required, however, inasmuch as the rate is below the minimum rate otherwise applicable.

According to the application, there has been no change in the circumstances requiring a special rate for the transportation involved. The application states that the volume of traffic and the traffic flow are substantially above the minimum requirements applicable to the outstanding authority. It is alleged, however, that applicant has experienced certain increases in costs of operation which require that the authorized rate be increased as proposed. Applicant avers that the proposed rate will be a reasonable and proper rate for the movement involved and will produce a reasonable profit for the ensuing year.

The application shows that a copy thereof was served on the Draymen's Association of San Francisco, which association has authorized applicant to state that it supports the granting of the application. A copy was also mailed to the California Trucking Association. No objection to the granting of this application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable and consistent with the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

In view of the expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective on June 20, 1963.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Walkup Drayage and Warehouse Company is hereby authorized to transport green coffee for Hills Bros. Coffee, Inc., from piers on the San Francisco waterfront to the coffee company's plant in San Francisco at a rate less than the minimum rate established for such transportation but not less than $11\frac{1}{2}$ cents per 100 pounds, minimum

weight 1,000 tons per calendar month, the monthly tonnage to be averaged over twelve calendar months commencing with the month in which the property is first transported.

2. The authority herein granted shall, on and after June 20, 1963, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 63679, and shall expire with June 20, 1964.

The effective date of this order shall be June 20, 1963.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of June, 1963.

George F. Groves

President

Carl E. White

Robert W. Long

Frederick B. Holloff

William M. Berndt

Commissioners