

Decision No. 66419

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of: )  
INTERSTATE FREIGHT CARRIERS )  
CONFERENCE, INC., AGENT )

For authority to cancel joint rates )  
between La Salle Freight Company, on )  
the one hand, and Willig Freight Lines, )  
on the other, presently published in )  
Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, )  
Inc., Agent, California Common Carrier )  
Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff )  
No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 2, and at the )  
same time eliminate this carrier from )  
list of participating carriers as no )  
rates or provisions will remain in )  
effect upon cancellation of proposed )  
joint rates. )

-AND-

AGENT C. R. NICKERSON

Application No. 45750  
(Filed September 10, 1963)

For authority to eliminate La Salle )  
Freight Company as participating )  
carrier from the following publications: )

Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau Exception )  
Sheet No. 1, Cal.P.U.C. No. 4. )  
Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau Distance )  
Table No. 4, Cal.P.U.C. No. 10. )  
Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau Tariff )  
No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 14. )  
as no reference will be made thereto )  
upon cancellation of joint rates of )  
this carrier, as hereinabove requested. )

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, authority is sought to cancel through routes and joint rates between points served by La Salle Freight Company, on the one hand, and points served by Willig Freight Lines, on the other hand. Both of the carriers are highway common carriers.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>The rates in question are published in California Common Carrier Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 2, of Interstate Freight Carriers' Conference, Inc., Agent, and the governing provisions are set forth in Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau Exception Sheet No. 1, Cal.P.U.C. No. 4, Distance Table No. 4, Cal.P.U.C. No. 10, and Tariff No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 14, of Agent C. R. Nickerson.

According to the application, the joint rates herein involved were originally established for the account of La Salle Freight Company and Willig Freight Lines on August 5, 1960, pursuant to Cal.P.U.C. Authority 460-2312 dated June 23, 1960. Applicants allege that since that time there has been practically no movement; no movement has taken place under this joint arrangement for over a year; there is no likelihood of a movement in the future so far as is known to the management of the carriers herein involved; the joint rates sought to be canceled and the aforementioned governing publications are maintained at a considerable expense and are not serving any useful purpose.

The application states that the proposed cancellation of joint rates will have no adverse effect upon the public interest; there are presently in effect rates from and to all of the points served by La Salle Freight Company applicable via many other motor carriers; such carriers serve the same territory either locally or jointly with other motor carriers; and these carriers can adequately serve such territory when needed. Applicant avers that, should the proposed rates be canceled, there will be no need for La Salle Freight Company to continue as a participating carrier in Agent C. R. Nickerson's governing publications hereinbefore enumerated as this carrier is also a party to similar publications currently on file with the Commission.

The application shows that on or about September 5, 1963, copies thereof were mailed to parties known to be interested. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the cancellation of through routes and joint rates as proposed in the application is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent, is hereby authorized to cancel the through routes and joint rates as proposed in this application.

2. C. R. Nickerson, Agent, is hereby authorized to cancel the participation of La Salle Freight Company from his tariffs on file with the Commission as proposed in this application.

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

4. 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 3rd day of December, 1963.

William S. Bennett  
President  
Robert W. Page  
George L. Grover  
Fredrick B. Hallock  
Commissioners