

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 67405

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| In the Matter of the Petition of  | ) |                        |
| PACIFIC SOUTHCOAST FREIGHT BUREAU | ) |                        |
| for authority to cancel joint     | ) | Application No. 46278  |
| through rates and routes with     | ) | (Filed March 12, 1964) |
| Merchants Express of California   | ) |                        |
| and Callison Truck Lines, Inc.    | ) |                        |

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, authority is sought to cancel from Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau Tariff 255-G through routes and joint class rates between points served by certain carriers, on the one hand, and points served by Merchants Express of California (Merchants) and Callison Truck Lines, Inc. (Callison) in the territory north of Eureka, to and including Crescent City, on the other hand. Authority is also sought to cancel the participation of Merchants and Callison from Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau Tariff 247-J, which defines the pickup and delivery limits of the points served under the joint rates involved herein.

Applicant alleges that tariffs of Merchants and Callison name local rates between the points involved herein whereby such service is available to the public at the same or, in many instances, lower rates than those provided in Tariff 255-G. Applicant says that a comprehensive search of records during the past three years fails to disclose any movement of traffic between the carriers named under Tariff 255-G, and no increases will result from cancellation of their participation therein. Applicant avers

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<sup>1</sup> The carriers are Southern Pacific Company, Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, California Western Railroad, Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company.

also that participation of Merchants and Callison in its Tariff 247-J is incidental to their participation in Tariff 255-G and the cancellation of their participation in the former tariff will result in neither increases nor reductions. Continued participation in the tariffs by these two carriers assertedly is an unwarranted expense.

Copies of the verified application were mailed to parties known to be interested on or about March 11, 1964. No objection to the application being granted has been received.

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

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pacific Southcoast Freight Bureau is hereby authorized to cancel the through routes and joint rates as proposed in this application.

2. 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1964.

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President

*Edward W. Sage*

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*George J. Hoover*

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*Fredrick B. Hallock*

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Commissioners

-2- Commissioner William M. Bennett, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.