

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 67708

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of PONY EXPRESS, a California)
corporation, to charge less than)
the minimum rates established by)
the California Public Utilities)
Commission as authorized in)
Section 3666 of the Public)
Utilities Code of the State of)
California.)

Application No. 46823
(Filed July 17, 1964)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 65879 dated August 13, 1963, in Application No. 45572, applicant was authorized to observe a second-class rating for the transportation of certain automobile parts and accessories in lieu of the actual classification rating on each article for General Motors Corporation, General Motors Parts Division, from that company's warehouses in Van Nuys and Los Angeles to points in southern California. The rates applicant was authorized to assess are the second-class rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2. The authority is scheduled to expire with August 26, 1964. By this application, authority is sought to continue the deviation from the minimum rates.

According to the application, important economies in time and effort in rating and billing have been effected and warrant the continuance of the current less-than-minimum rate authority. Applicant avers that two studies made in May, 1964, show that the over-all revenue accrued under the authorized second-class rating was .40 percent less than the revenue that would have been collected under the actual classification ratings.¹

¹ These studies were made on May 25 and 26, 1964, and show a revenue received of \$2,301.50 for 265 shipments in lieu of \$2,310.70 that would have accrued under the applicable minimum rates.

The application shows that on or about July 14, 1964, a copy thereof was served on California Trucking Association. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed basis of rating and charges is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. However, as the conditions under which the service is performed may change at any time, the authority will be made to expire at the end of one year.

In view of the expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective August 26, 1964.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pony Express, a corporation, is hereby authorized to assess a second-class rating in lieu of the classification ratings otherwise applicable, at rates not less than the second class rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, for the transportation of automobile parts and accessories (except fenders and auto engine hoods) from the General Motors Corporation, General Motors Parts Division, warehouses in Van Nuys and Los Angeles to points in southern California outside the Los Angeles Drayage Area as defined in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 5.

2. The authority herein granted shall, on and after the effective date hereof, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 65879 and shall expire with August 26, 1965.

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The effective date of this order shall be August 26, 1964.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of August, 1964.

Fredrick B. Hallock
President

John C. Mitchell

Robert A. Page

George J. Grover

Commissioners

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