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Decision No. 67842

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
PARKER TRUCK COMPANY, a corporation,
for authority to abandon portion of
its certificate of public convenience
and necessity.

Application No. 46836

O P I N I O N

Parker Truck Company, presently authorized to operate as a highway common carrier between the Los Angeles Territory and the San Diego Territory, requests that its operating authority be amended by excluding therefrom fresh bread, cake, donuts and rolls.

It is alleged that fresh bakery products are extremely light and bulky and cannot be profitably transported under applicant's tariff rates; said products are now tendered in shipping containers not contemplated by the level of the existing rates as now published; the shipping containers are rapidly changing and the level of common carrier freight charges cannot keep pace with the changing circumstances of the bakery industry; the effect of the containers is to reduce the revenue carrying capacity of the line-haul equipment; as a highway common carrier applicant is at a competitive disadvantage in handling such commodities because it must first obtain authority to assess rates commensurate with the new methods of packaging the commodities; applicant is presently transporting said commodities for only one customer; such service could be performed as a contract carrier; which would provide applicant with greater flexibility in adjusting its rates and would thus enable applicant to transport fresh bakery goods at a compensatory level of charges.

Parker Truck Company, a corporation, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport general commodities between the Los Angeles Territory and the San Diego Territory (each territory as more particularly described in Appendix B attached hereto) and intermediate points via U.S. Highways Nos. 101 and 101-A; provided, however, applicant shall not render local service between any two points, both of which lie north of Oceanside.

Applicant shall not transport any shipments of:

1. Used household goods and personal effects not packed in accordance with the crated property requirements set forth in paragraph (d) of Item No. 10-C of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 4-A.
2. Automobiles, trucks and buses, viz.: new and used, finished or unfinished passenger automobiles (including jeeps), ambulances, hearses and taxis; freight automobiles, automobile chassis, trucks, truck chassis, truck trailers, trucks and trailers combined, buses and bus chassis.
3. Livestock, viz.: bucks, bulls, calves, cattle, cows, dairy cattle, ewes, goats, hogs, horses, kids, lambs, oxen, pigs, sheep, sheep camp outfits, sows, steers, stags or swine.
4. Liquids, compressed gases, commodities in semi-plastic form and commodities in suspension in liquids in bulk, in tank trucks, tank trailers, tank semitrailers or a combination of such highway vehicles.
5. Commodities when transported in bulk in dump trucks or in hopper-type trucks.
6. Commodities when transported in motor vehicles equipped for mechanical mixing in transit.
7. Fresh Bread, Fresh Cake, Fresh Donuts and Fresh Rolls.

End of Appendix A

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