

Decision No. 67906

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Sierra Distributing, Ltd. for the)
authorization to continue transpor-) Application No. 46932
tation of Trisodium Phosphate at) (Filed August 28, 1964)
rate below Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 66420 dated December 3, 1963, in Application No. 45851 and order extending expiration date dated June 3, 1964, applicant was authorized, as a highway contract carrier, to charge less than the minimum rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 for the transportation of trisodium phosphate from Richmond to Sacramento for the Procter & Gamble Company. The material is transported in shipper owned bins of not less than 60 cubic feet capacity. The authority is scheduled to expire with October 3, 1964.

By this application, applicant seeks to extend the current authority. Applicant also requests that the authority be modified by providing a rating of 50 percent of the fourth class rating, subject to a minimum rate of 29 cents per 100 pounds, in lieu of stated rates in cents per 100 pounds for the transportation of the used empty bins returning for a pay load.

Applicant alleges that it is operating under full capacity load factors in hauling for the shipper from Richmond to Sacramento; and it is able to realize substantial economies in operations. Applicant avers that it has hauled all the bulk trisodium phosphate for the shipper since December, 1960, under less than minimum rate authority. Volume shipments exceed 6,000,000 (six million) pounds per year.

Applicant avers that its revenues and earnings for this transportation are profitable and that the granting of the sought authority will have no adverse effect on other modes of transportation. A cost study attached to the application indicates that the operation will be performed at a profit.

The application states that a copy thereof was served on California Trucking Association on or about August 27, 1964. No objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rates are reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The petition will be granted. However, because the conditions involved herein 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 on October 3, 1964.

Good cause appearing,

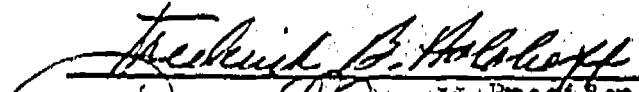
IT IS ORDERED that:

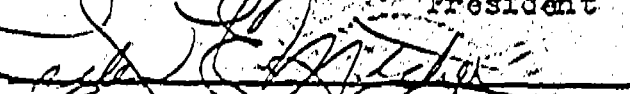
1. Sierra Distributing, Ltd., is hereby authorized to transport trisodium phosphate, chlorinated or not chlorinated, in bulk in containers, and used empty bins for Procter & Gamble Company at less than the established minimum rates but not less than those set forth in, and subject to the provisions shown in, Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.


2. The authority herein granted shall expire with October 3, 1965.


The effective date of this order shall be October 3, 1964.


Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of September, 1964.



President








Commissioners

Appendix A to Decision No. 67906

Rates are in cents per 100 pounds

ITEM COMMODITIES: Trisodium phosphate, chlorinated or not
1. chlorinated, in shipper owned bins of not less than 60 cubic feet capacity.

FROM : Richmond, California.

TO : The Procter & Gamble Company plant, Sacramento, California.

RATE : 23

MINIMUM : 45,000 pounds per shipment. Rate applies to the combined weight of the commodity and bins. The weight of the bins must be shown separately on the bill of lading and may not be used to make up the minimum weight of the shipment.

ITEM COMMODITIES: Used empty BINS, not nested, for return paying
2. load of Commodity in Item 1.

FROM : The Procter & Gamble Company plant, Sacramento, California.

TO : Richmond, California.

RATE : 50% of 4th Class but not less than 29 Cwt.

MINIMUM : 2,000 pounds per shipment

ITEM LOADING AND UNLOADING CARRIER'S EQUIPMENT:
3. The loading and unloading of carrier's equipment will be performed by the shipper's lift trucks. One hour free time will be allowed for loading and one hour free time will be allowed for unloading bins commencing from the time carrier's equipment is placed at the designated loading or unloading place. Delay in excess of free time will be charged for as provided in Item No. 145 of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

ITEM
4. All other provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 are to apply.

End of Appendix A