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Decision No. 68182

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of POST TRANSPORTATION) COMPANY, a corporation, to depart) from the provisions of Minimum) Rate Tariff No. 2 of the Public) Utilities Commission.)

Application No. 47003 (Filed September 24, 1964)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 66349 dated November 19, 1963, in Application No. 45809, it was authorized to transport common salt, in bulk, in dump truck equipment, from Pier A, Long Beach, to the plant of Stauffer Chemical Company at Dominguez, at a rate less than the established minimum rate but not less than 3-3/4 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 50,000 pounds per truckload. The authority is scheduled to expire with December 1, 1964. By this application, an extension of the current authority is sought for a further one-year period.

Applicant states that, at the time of the hearing in October, 1962, it submitted cost studies indicating that its operating ratio would be 76.4 under the proposed rate. Applicant further states that the operation has been profitable at the rate of 3-3/4 cents per 100 pounds and the shipper is satisfied with the present arrangement. A cost study conducted on the operation between January and July of 1964 indicates that an operating ratio of 55.61 is currently being achieved.¹

The application was amended by letter dated October 8, 1954, containing supplemental data consisting of a revenue and expense statement for the transportation involved.

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The certificate of service shows that a copy of the application was served upon the shipper, upon California Trucking Association and upon other known interested parties. Wo objection to its being granted has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds that the proposed rate is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The application, as amended, will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Post Transportation Company, a corporation, is hereby authorized to transport common salt, in bulk, in dump truck equipment for Stauffer Chemical Company from Pier A, Long Beach, to the plant of Stauffer Chemical Company at Dominguez at a rate less than the minimum rate established for such transportation but not less than 3-3/4 cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum weight per truckload of 50,000 pounds.

2. The authority herein granted shall, on and after December 1, 1964, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 66349 and shall expire with December 1, 1965.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>2nd</u> day of November, 1964.

Commissioners

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