

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 68512

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of SAN FRANCISCO WAREHOUSE CO., )  
a corporation, for authorization )  
to transport rice for C. E. )  
GROSJEAN RICE MILLING CO. within )  
San Francisco at a rate below )  
minimum rate prescribed by City )  
Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A. )

Application No. 47181  
(Filed December 11, 1964)

OPINION AND ORDER

San Francisco Warehouse Co. is a city carrier. By Decision No. 66627, dated January 14, 1964, in Application No. 46004, it was authorized to charge a rate less than the established minimum rate for the transportation of rice, in sacks or cases, from the plant of C. E. Grosjean Rice Milling Co. in San Francisco to piers on the San Francisco waterfront. The authority is scheduled to expire with January 27, 1965. By this application, authority is sought to continue to charge the rate involved.

Applicant states that the conditions under which it performs the transportation herein involved are generally the same as those prevailing at the time prior authorization was granted and, though it has experienced slight increases in costs of doing business, the transportation in question remains profitable. Applicant further states that the conditions under which it transports rice are unusual and enable it to realize economies in operations. The shipper furnishes its own pallets for shipments of rice, palletizes such shipments and loads them onto applicant's vehicles. At destination applicant unloads the loaded pallets but is not required to take the sacks or cases of rice off the pallets.

A cost study attached to the application indicates that the transportation involved has been profitable and reasonably may be expected to be profitable in the future.

The verified application shows that a copy thereof was served on the Draymen's Association of San Francisco, Inc., on December 11, 1964, and that applicant has been authorized by the secretary of that association to state that the organization has no objection to the granting of the application.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable and consistent with the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary. The application should be granted. However, since the conditions surrounding the transportation may change, the extension will be limited to one year. In view of the expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective January 27, 1965.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. San Francisco Warehouse Co., a corporation, operating as a city carrier, is hereby authorized to transport rice, in sacks or cases, for C. E. Grosjean Rice Milling Co. from the latter company's plant in San Francisco to piers on the San Francisco waterfront at a rate less than the established minimum rate, but not less than 10½ cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 20,000 pounds, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The rice shall be palletized by the shipper on the shipper's pallets and loaded onto applicant's vehicles by the shipper.
- (b) Applicant shall not be required to remove the rice from the pallets.
- (c) The weight on which charges are assessed shall not include the weight of the pallets.

- (d) The empty pallets shall be returned from the piers to the rice company's plant without charge.
- (e) The shipper shall tender to applicant for the transportation involved herein a minimum of 1,000 tons of rice per calendar year.

2. The authority herein granted shall, on and after January 27, 1965, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 66627, and shall expire with January 27, 1966.

The effective date of this order shall be January 27, 1965.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of January, 1965.

Fredrick B. Halsett  
President  
John C. [unclear]  
George E. Trover  
William L. [unclear]

Commissioners