

Decision No. 69379

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Garden City)	
Transportation Co., Ltd. under)	
the Shortened Procedure Tariff)	Shortened Procedure
Docket to make increases in)	Tariff Docket
rates for the transportation of)	Application No. 47576
commodities named in Exhibit "A".)	(Filed May 12, 1965)

OPINION AND ORDER

Garden City Transportation Co., Ltd., is a highway common carrier transporting general commodities between San Francisco Territory and northern California points and specified commodities between San Jose and vicinity and Sacramento and Stockton.

By this application, it seeks authority to increase certain of its published rates for the transportation of seeds for distances of 50 miles and less.

Applicant states that the transportation involved is exempt from the Commission's established minimum rates,¹ and that it has been operating under its present scale of rates on this traffic since July 12, 1962. It avers that this scale of rates is noncompensatory for distances of 50 miles and less inasmuch as the present labor and other operational costs exceed the revenues derived from such rates.

¹ By Decision No. 69006 dated May 4, 1965, in Case No. 5432 (Petition for Modification No. 373), the types and movements of seeds which qualified the transportation for exemption from the Commission's established minimum rates were modified effective June 1, 1965. The application was amended by letter dated June 8, 1965, so as to conform with such modifications.

Applicant alleges that the sought increase in rates is necessary to ensure a compensatory operation for this particular traffic. It avers that it mailed a copy of the application to Ferry Morse Seed Company, the only shipper currently utilizing the rates involved. Applicant asserts that the increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase its California intra-state gross revenue by as much as one percent.

The application was listed in the Commission's Daily Calendar on May 14, 1965. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed increased rates are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application, as amended, should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Garden City Transportation Co., Ltd., is hereby authorized to publish in its tariff increased rates for the transportation of seeds as proposed in this application, as amended.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than thirty days after the effective date of this order or not less than thirty days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of July, 1965.

Fredrick B. Holbrook
President
John E. [unclear]
George E. Trover
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William W. [unclear]
Commissioners