Decision No. 70097

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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. 48065 (Filed November 17, 1965)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 68182 dated November 2, 1964, in Application No. 47003, 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 truck-load. The authority expired with December 1, 1965. By this application, authority is again sought to assess the same less-than-minimum rate for a one-year period.

By Decision No. 64603 dated December 4, 1962, in Application No. 47003, the rate in issue was found by the Commission to be reasonable upon the basis of evidence received at a public hearing on October 25, 1962. The evidence showed that the operation involved herein is an unusually efficient one. While the transportation takes place during normal working hours, applicant may, if it desires, load at Long Beach and unload at Stauffer at any time of the day or night. Loading at origin is performed by the consignor with a power loading device capable of loading at a rate of ten tons per minute. At destination the salt is dumped into one of two pits.

Revenue and expense data submitted with the application indicate that the transportation involved has been profitable and reasonably may be expected to be profitable for the ensuing year.

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. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 19, 1965. No objection to the granting of the application 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 Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

In view of the fact that the current authority expired with December 1, 1965, the order which follows will be made effective on the date hereof.

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 granted herein shall expire one year after the effective date of this order unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>Kull</u> day of December, 1965.

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Commissioners

Commissioner A. W. Gatov, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.