

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 71154

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of: )

C. R. NICKERSON, Agent and Attorney, under )  
the Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket, for )  
and on behalf of Callison Truck Lines, )  
Inc., acting under outstanding Power of )  
Attorney, or by letter of authorization )  
to file Special Permission Applications, )  
for authority to cancel joint rates on )  
certain specified commodities in connection )  
with Valley Express Co., and Nielsen )  
Freight Lines, such cancellations to be )  
accomplished by publishing new Rule as more )  
fully outlined in Exhibit "A" attached to, )  
and by reference thereto, made a part of )  
this application, in the following tariffs:)

Shortened Procedure  
Tariff Docket  
Application No. 48544  
(Filed June 8, 1966)

F. S. Kohles, Agent, Tariff No. 9-B, )  
Cal.P.U.C. No. 9 (Issued in the )  
series of Valley Express Co.) )

- AND - )

Callison Truck Lines, Inc., Local and )  
Joint Freight Tariff No. 4, Cal.P.U.C. )  
No. 3 (Issued in the series of Veryl )  
Callison, d.b.a. Callison Truck Lines) )

- AND - )

For authority to depart from the terms of )  
Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code )  
in Accomplishing proposed publication. )

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, C. R. Nickerson seeks authority, for  
and on behalf of the carriers hereinafter mentioned, to cancel joint  
rates for the transportation of certain property between points

served by Callison Truck Lines, Inc. (Callison), on the one hand, and Valley Express Co. (Valley) and Nielsen Freight Lines (Nielsen), on the other hand.<sup>1</sup>

Applicant alleges that, when the joint rates were originally established, the carriers involved desired to compete with other carriers in the same territory on class rated traffic. Applicant states that the level of the joint rates has precluded the aforementioned carriers from handling boards or sheets, lumber, plywood and wood pulp because other common carriers publish, and permitted carriers assess, lower rail competitive rates for such transportation. Applicant avers that the proposed cancellation of joint rates for these commodities would, if granted, allow Callison, as a permitted carrier, to participate in traffic that it formerly enjoyed.

Applicant asserts that the increases resulting from the application would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of the carriers involved by as much as one percent.

The certificate of service shows that copies of the application were mailed to California Trucking Association and the carriers involved on June 3, 1966. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar on June 9, 1966. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

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<sup>1</sup> The joint rates between Callison and Valley and between Callison and Nielsen are set forth in F. S. Kohles, Agent, Tariff No. 9-B, Cal.P.U.C. No. 9 (Series of Valley Express Co.), and Callison Truck Lines, Inc., Local and Joint Freight Tariff No. 4, Cal.P.U.C. No. 3 (Series of Veryl Callison, d.b.a. Callison Truck Lines), respectively. These rates are subject to minimum weights of, or are for shipments weighing 30,000 pounds or greater and apply on boards or sheets, lumber, plywood and wood pulp as described in Exhibit A attached to the application.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from the cancellation of joint rates as proposed in the application are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

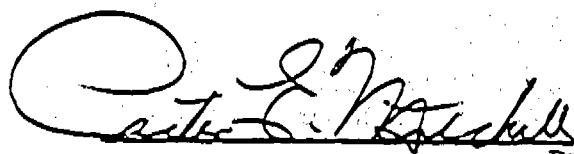
1. C. R. Nickerson, on behalf of Callison Truck Lines, Inc., Valley Express Co. and Nielsen Freight Lines, is hereby authorized to cancel joint rates as specifically proposed in the application.


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 on not less than thirty days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

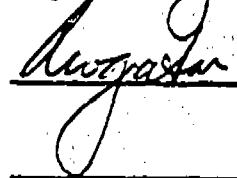
3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1966.

  
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President

  
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