

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 71949

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )	
SHELDON TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a )	
corporation, for authority to charge )	
rates for the transportation of )	Application No. 49053
asphalt and road oils from Richmond )	(Filed December 23, 1966)
to Radum less than those prescribed )	
as minimum in Minimum Rate Tariff )	
No. 6-A. )	

OPINION AND ORDER

Sheldon Transportation Company, a corporation, holds permits to operate as a city carrier and as a petroleum contract carrier within the State of California. By Decision No. 70306 dated February 1, 1966, in Application No. 47761, applicant was authorized, as a petroleum contract carrier, to transport shipments of asphalt and road oils in bulk in tank truck equipment from the plant of Chevron Asphalt Company at Richmond to Kaiser Sand and Gravel located at Radum. For this transportation, applicant is authorized to charge a lesser rate than the established minimum rate but not lower, in volume or effect, than \$2.25 per ton, minimum weight 74 tons per shipment, in three loads per tender. The current authority is scheduled to expire February 28, 1967.

By this application, applicant seeks permission to continue to charge the currently authorized rate for such transportation for an additional one-year period.

Applicant states that the favorable conditions affecting the transportation service involved herein, which justified the

original departure from the minimum rates, still exist now as then and are expected to continue the same for the ensuing one-year period. In addition, applicant asserts that the present volume tendered it, which is substantially over 1,000,000 pounds of bulk asphalt and road oils per month, is expected to increase. Applicant alleges that, if the present application for such authority is not granted, it will be faced with the loss of this business and that such a loss would seriously diminish its net income.

Revenue and expense data submitted by applicant indicate that the transportation involved has been profitable and reasonably may be expected to be profitable, based on currently effective wage rates and operational costs, during the ensuing year.

The certificate of service shows that a copy of the verified application was mailed to California Trucking Association on December 23, 1966. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of December 27, 1966. 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 for the transportation involved. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

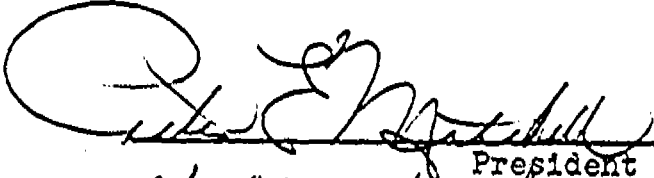

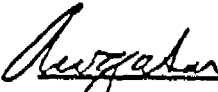
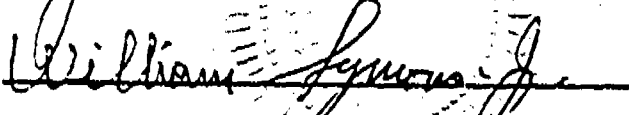
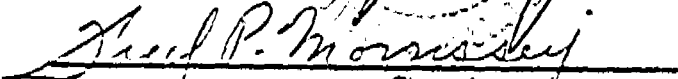
1. Sheldon Transportation Company is hereby authorized to transport shipments of asphalt and road oils in tank truck equipment from the plant of Chevron Asphalt Company at Richmond to Kaiser Sand and Gravel located at Radum at a rate less than the

established minimum rate but not less than \$2.25 per ton, minimum weight 74 tons per shipment, in three loads per tender.

2. The authority granted herein shall, on and after February 28, 1967, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 70306 and shall expire with February 28, 1968.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 31st day of January, 1967.

  
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