

ORIGINALDecision No. 71998

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
 AMERICAN TRANSFER CO., a corporation,
 for an order amending its certificate
 of public convenience and necessity
 to operate as a highway common carrier
 to exclude shipper-owned trailers,
 loaded and empty, to and from
 Martinez, California.

Application No. 49059
 (Filed December 29, 1966)

INTERIM OPINION

American Transfer Co., a corporation, operates as a highway common carrier of general commodities in the area roughly bounded by Fresno, Sacramento and San Francisco. Applicant requests that its certificated authority be amended by excluding therefrom transportation of shipper-owned trailers, loaded or empty, between Martinez, on the one hand, and all other points, on the other hand.

Applicant states that it has been requested by Shell Oil Company (Shell) to transport, as a highway contract carrier, at less than the minimum rates, Shell's trailers from Martinez to various points where Shell has wholesale delivery plants. By separate application, No. 49060, applicant is seeking the less-than-minimum rate authority. Applicant also states that this service will expand in the future and shipments now moving in proprietary equipment will probably be diverted to the contract carriage. Applicant therefore requests that its certificate of public convenience and necessity be modified by adding to the restricted commodities under its certificate an additional paragraph No. 8, reading as follows:

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"Shipper-owned trailers, loaded or empty, between Martinez, on the one hand, and all points within the scope of this certificate on the other hand."

By an interim opinion and order issued today in Application No. 49060 the Commission has dealt with the rate question motivating the proposal to limit applicant's certificated rights. In view of this no order is necessary at this time. This proceeding will be scheduled for public hearing together with Application No. 49060.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this
7th day of FEBRUARY, 1967.

Edw. E. Mitchell
President
William M. Linnell
Augusta
William J. Lyons
Paul P. Morrison
Commissioners