

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 73500

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
UNIVERSAL TRANSPORT SYSTEM, INC.,)	
for authority to depart from the)	
minimum rates, rules and regulations)	Application No. 48756
of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 7, pur-)	
suant to the provisions of Section)	
3666 of the Public Utilities Code for)	
transportation performed for PACIFIC)	
READY-MIX, INC.)	

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 71718, dated December 20, 1966, Universal Transport System, Inc., was authorized to charge rates less than the established minimum rates for the transportation of concrete aggregate for Pacific Ready-Mix, Inc., from plants in the City of Fremont to Palo Alto and Mountain View. That authority was scheduled to expire June 30, 1967, because it was anticipated there would be a change in labor expenses on or before said date resulting from the termination of the collective bargaining agreement between applicant and its employees. The authority, which has twice been extended by the Commission for the reason that negotiations between applicant and its employees concerning a new wage agreement had not been concluded, is now scheduled to expire December 31, 1967.¹

By letter from its attorney, applicant seeks a further extension of the existing rate authority to April 1, 1968, to allow it sufficient time to prepare and submit to the Commission a revised cost study for the transportation services involved based on an impending new contract. Applicant avers that it and its employees

¹See Decisions Nos. 72251 and 73145, in this proceeding, which extended applicant's rate authority to September 30 and December 31, 1967, respectively.

have reached a tentative agreement, but that expected ratification of the new contract by the many Teamsters Union locals will require an additional 30 to 40 days.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that a further extension of the expiration date of the existing authority to April 1, 1968, is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the request for such extension should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that Ordering Paragraph 2 of Decision No. 72551, as amended by Decision No. 73145, is hereby further amended by substituting the date of "April 1, 1968," for that of "December 31, 1967."

This order shall become effective December 31, 1967.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of December, 1967.

Robert E. Hall
President

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Commissioners