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Decision No. 76479

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of C. W. BUNDREN, INC.,
 a California corporation, doing
 business as C. W. BUNDREN TRUCK
 COMPANY, under Section 3666 of the
 Public Utilities Code, for an order
 of the Commission extending authority
 to perform transportation services
 in the movement of paper (newsprint)
 at rates less than the established
 minimum rates.

Application No. 51337
 (Filed August 25, 1969;
 Amended October 22, 1969)

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a highway permit carrier whose sole operation is the transportation of newsprint for the Times Mirror Publishing Company. By its application filed August 25, 1969, applicant requested an interim decision and order of the Commission extending for not less than 60 days applicant's authority to charge less than the established minimum rates, but not less than 11-1/2 cents per hundred pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds per load, for the transportation of paper (newsprint), in rolls, for the account of the Times Mirror Publishing Company. Said authority had been originally granted to applicant's predecessor in interest by Decision No. 71217, dated August 30, 1966, in Application No. 47802, and had been annually extended by subsequent decisions of the Commission.

At the time of filing Application No. 51337, applicant was in the process of conducting a survey of its operations for the purpose of determining what rate per hundred pounds for local or intrastate services performed by applicant would give effect to

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the increased costs of operations incurred by applicant since the entry of Decision No. 71217 and earn a just and reasonable return to applicant for performing such services.

By Decision No. 76190, dated September 16, 1969, in Application No. 51337, the Commission granted the interim relief requested by applicant by extending for sixty days applicant's authority to charge less than the established minimum rates. Said interim authority is conditioned by its terms to expire on November 19, 1969.

Applicant now proposes that the Commission extend applicant's authority to charge less than the minimum rate for an additional period of not less than one year after November 19, 1969, modified to the extent that applicant shall charge not less than 12 cents per hundred pounds or \$2.40 per ton, minimum weight 30,000 pounds per load, on local or intrastate services.

Applicant's analysis of the cost of providing the service is attached to the amended application. It shows that the operations to be conducted under the proposed rate will be compensatory. The unusual circumstances involved in this transportation are related in Decision No. 71217. Applicant states that such circumstances still prevail. We find that the proposed rate of 12 cents per 100 pounds is reasonable for said transportation.

A copy of the amended application was served upon California Trucking Association. Notice of the filing of the amendment appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 23, 1969. No one has protested the granting of the authority sought. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. C. W. Bundren, Inc., a California corporation doing business as C. W. Bundren Truck Company, is authorized to charge less than the established minimum rates, but not less than 12 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 30,000 pounds per load, for the transportation of paper (newsprint) in rolls, for the account of the Times Mirror Publishing Company,

- a. From railroad docks located at 8th and Alameda Streets and at 2650 Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, to the printing plant of the Times Mirror Publishing Company in the area bounded by First and Second Streets and Spring Street and Broadway, Los Angeles;
- b. From said railroad docks to the warehouse of the Times Mirror Publishing Company at 1361 Factory Place, Los Angeles; and
- c. From said warehouse to said printing plant.

2. The foregoing authority is subject to the following conditions:

- a. Rate includes loading of applicant's vehicles at railroad docks and unloading of said vehicles at the printing plant of Times Mirror Publishing Company. It does not include loading and unloading of applicant's vehicles at the warehouse of Times Mirror Publishing Company.
- b. Rate does not include applicant's supplying of mechanical unloading equipment for the unloading of applicant's vehicles at the warehouse and printing plant of Times Mirror Publishing Company.

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3. The authority herein granted shall expire November 19, 1970.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this
25th day of NOVEMBER, 1969.

William S. ...
President
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Commissioners