Decision No. 78

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of GARMENT CARRIERS, INC., for an order amending its certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing highway common carrier service to except therefrom transportation of furs and fur garments.

Application No. 52282 (Filed November 6, 1970)

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OPINION

Applicant is a California corporation and a highway common carrier, authorized to transport garments, clothing and wearing apparel, when transported on hangers, along with matching accessories and other commodities incidental thereto, pursuant to Decision No. 62337, dated July 25, 1961 in Application No. 42707. Applicant also operates as a radial highway common carrier and as a highway contract carrier.

Applicant has requested that its certificate be amended to include the following restriction:

> "Carrier shall not transport furs or fur garments or wearing apparel, but this exception shall not include imitation furs, imitation fur garments or wearing apparel or fur-trimmed cloth garments or wearing apparel."

Applicant will transport fur garments in cartons under its highway contract carrier permit if this application is granted.

Trucks carrying furs on hangers are hijacked and the shipments are seldom recovered. Over the past five years applicant and its affiliated companies have had between 5 and 13 trucks stolen in transit annually, with some of the shipments worth \$100,000. Cargo insurance on furs is expensive and increases substantially with each stolen shipment; policies also provide

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for a \$5,000 deduction on each such loss. Cargo insurance may be canceled unless the number of robberies is substantially reduced. When furs are transported in cartons as general freight the furs are difficult to identify and the loads are less susceptible to being stolen. Adequate transportation will be available to the public since the furs can be transported under contract and the liability on each shipment decided in advance by the involved carrier and the shipper.

Copies of the application were mailed to the California Trucking Association and no protests were received.

After consideration, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require that applicant transport commodities of the type hereinabove referred to as a highway common carrier. A public hearing is not necessary.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Appendix A of Decision No. 62337 is amended by incorporating therein First Revised Page 2, attached hereto, in revision of Original Page 2.

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2. Within thirty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall amend the tariffs presently on file with this Commission to reflect the authority herein granted.

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Commissioner William Symons, Jr., being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding. Appendix A (Decision No. 62337)

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Between:

(1) All points and places in the Los Angeles Basin Area described in Appendix B hereof, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, all points and places in the San Francisco Territory and Sacramento Delta Area described in Appendix B hereof;

(2) All points in the said described Los Angeles Basin Area, San Francisco Territory and Sacramento Delta Area, on the one hand, and Bakersfield, Fresno, Modesto, Santa Barbara, Ventura and Oxnard, on the other hand.

Applicant shall not transport any shipments of furs, fur garments, or fur wearing apparel, but this exception shall not include imitation furs, imitation fur garments or wearing apparel, or fur-trimmed cloth garments or wearing apparel.

Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify this by further order, applicant Garment Carriers, Inc., shall conduct operations pursuant to the certificate herein granted over and along the most convenient and direct routes, and may use any and all available alternate routes for operating convenience only.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission. 78260 Decision No. _____, Application No. 52282.