

Decision No. 78330

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application  
of A & B GARMENT DELIVERY for an  
order amending its certificate  
of public convenience and neces-  
sity authorizing highway common  
carrier service to except there-  
from transportation of furs and  
fur garments.

Application No. 52284  
(Filed November 6, 1970)

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a highway common carrier, authorized to trans-  
port garments, clothing and wearing apparel, when transported on  
hangers, along with matching accessories and incidental commodities,  
between points in the Los Angeles Basin Area, pursuant to Decision  
No. 62337, dated July 25, 1961, in Application No. 42708. Applicant  
also operates as a radial highway common carrier and a highway  
contract carrier.

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

Applicant 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 coat garments or wearing  
apparel.

If the authority requested herein is granted, the effect of such  
amendment will be that applicant will transport the excepted commodi-  
ties under its highway contract carrier permit, rather than under the  
highway common carrier certificate.

When applicant transports furs or fur garments as a  
certificated carrier, the furs are on hangers and the shipments are

frequently stolen in transit. Over the past five years applicant and its affiliated companies, annually, have had between 5 and 13 trucks stolen with some of the shipments worth \$100,000. Cargo insurance on furs is expensive and increases substantially with each stolen shipment; policies also provide 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 shipment is difficult to identify and much less susceptible to being stolen during transit. Applicant will be able to provide better service as a highway contract carrier since the liability on each shipment can be decided in advance by applicant 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 so 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.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

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

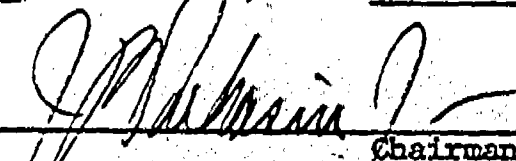
2. Within thirty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public,



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applicant shall amend its tariffs presently on file with this Commission to reflect the authority herein granted.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22<sup>nd</sup>  
day of FEBRUARY, 1971.

  
Chairman

  
  
Commissioners

Commissioner William Symons, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

A & B Garment Delivery, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport:

Garments, clothing and wearing apparel when transported on garment hangers, matching accessories and other commodities incidental thereto, including costume or novelty jewelry, when shipped in van-type trucks in company with garments, clothing and wearing apparel on hangers,

Between:

All points and places within the Los Angeles Basin Area described in Appendix B attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify this certificate by further order, applicant A & B Garment Delivery 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.

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.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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