Decision No. 78952

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of JOHN T. LANE for an order authorizing departure from the rates, rules and regulations of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2, pursuant to Section 3666 of the Public Utilities Code.

Application No. 52385 (Filed January 5, 1971)

Handler, Baker & Greene, by <u>Daniel W. Baker</u>,
Attorney at Law, for applicant.

J. C. Kaspar, H. F. Kollmyer and A. D. Poe,
Attorney at Law, for California Trucking
Association, interested party.

B. I. Shoda, for the Commission staff.

OPINION

John T. Lane operates as a radial highway common carrier and as a highway contract carrier. By this application he seeks authority, under Section 3666 of the Public Utilities Code, to deviate from the minimum rates in connection with the transportation of empty containers and shipper-owned trailer chassis between the plant of the Trailmobile Division of Pullman, Inc., at Fremont and Oakland and San Francisco. Applicant proposes to assess a rate of \$14.25 per hour, minimum charge for two hours; time to be computed from the time a vehicle leaves applicant's yard to its return thereto. By Decision No. 78333, dated February 22, 1971, interim authority for six months was granted pending a public hearing.

Public hearing was held May 21, 1971, at San Francisco before Examiner Turpen. Applicant and an accountant presented evidence. A member of the Commission staff helped developed the record.

The evidence shows that the service is that set forth in Decision No. 78333, and does not need to be repeated herein. A cost study introduced into evidence shows that the operations enjoy an

operating ratio of 91.4 percent now, and will under new labor rates on January 1, 1972, result in an operating ratio of 94.1 percent.

It appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rate is reasonable. The Commission concludes that the proposed rate should be granted for a one-year period. The present interim authority expires August 22, 1971.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. John T. Lane, doing business as John Lane Drayage, is authorized, in lieu of the otherwise applicable minimum rates, to assess a rate and charge of \$14.25 per hour, for the transportation and subject to the conditions set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and made a part of this order.
- 2. The authority herein granted shall, on August 22, 1971, supersede that granted by Decision No. 78333, and shall expire with August 22, 1972.

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Commissioners

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

-2- Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

APPENDIX A

JOHN T. LANE

Shipper:

Trailmobile Division of Pullman, Inc.

Commodity:

Empty containers, and/or shipper-owned trailer

chassis.

Between:

Fremont and Oakland and San Francisco.

Minimum Charge:

Two hours.

Computation of time:

From departure from carrier's place of busi-

ness to return thereto.

Bridge Toll Charges:

To be paid by shipper.

END OF APPENDIX A