## Decision No. 80154

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application under Section 3666 of the Public Utilities Code of West Transportation, Inc., a corporation, to perform transportation in the movement of fabricated structural steel columns and miscellaneous structural steel from the Fabrication Plant of Kaiser Steel Corporation, located at Etiwanda Junction, San Bernardino County, California, to the Security Pacific Building Project, Los Angeles, at rates less than the established minimum rate.

Application No. 53190

## SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Decision No. 80045, dated May 9, 1972, in this application authorized West Transportation, Inc. (West) to establish, as a highway common carrier, a rate less than the established minimum rate for the transportation of structural steel columns and beams, subject to a minimum tonnage of 21,000 tons to be transported within a period of one year from the date transportation commences.

By letter dated May 17, 1972, West requests that the annual tonnage requirement be revised, inasmuch as it is not certain that the entire quantity of steel to be used in the construction of the Security Pacific Bank Building can be transported in a twelvemonth period, nor that the entire quantity indicated to be required for construction of the building will be transported by the carrier.

It appears, and we find, that the time period in which the minimum tonnage must be transported should be extended to two years. However, the record shows that 21,000 tons of steel beams and columns are required for the building to be constructed. The rate authorized to West is based on the operating costs and related economic factors involved in the transportation of such quantity of steel. Therefore, we conclude that Decision No. 80045 should not be amended with respect to such requirement. In the event, after the conclusion of the construction project in question, West determines that less than 21,000 tons of steel are transported, it may seek an appropriate adjustment in charges.

IT IS ORDERED that Ordering Paragraph 1(b) of Decision No. 80045 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) Minimum tonnage of 21,000 tons shall be transported within a period of two years from the date transportation services commence, and such service shall be for a single shipper from a single point of origin to a single point of destination."

In all other respects, Decision No. 80045 shall remain in full force and effect.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. 13/~ day Californía, this Dated at San Francisco JUNE . 1972. o£ Chairman ssioners Commit

Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.