

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 80198

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of

BIG PINE TRUCKING COMPANY, INC.,  
a California corporation,

for authority to continue reduced rates  
for certain commodities from Laws,  
Keeler and Olancho to points within the  
Los Angeles area, pursuant to Section  
452 of the Public Utilities Code.

Application No. 53368  
(Filed May 31, 1972)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 78824 dated June 22, 1971, Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., a corporation, was authorized as a highway common carrier to publish rates of 39 and 41 cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 40,000 pounds, for the transportation of clay, pyrophyllite, silt, soapstone, talc and sand from Laws, Keeler and Olancho to points within a defined Los Angeles area.<sup>1</sup> The present rates are lower than the established minimum rates for this transportation and scheduled to expire with July 1, 1972. By this application, authority is sought to continue the current authorization for a further one-year period. Applicant also requests that the authority be modified by increasing the above-authorized rates to 42 cents and 44 cents, respectively.

Applicant alleges that the circumstances recited in Decision No. 78824, supra, still exist and that, as has been established for a number of years, common carriers serving the Big Pine-Bishop area of the eastern central portion of California have an operational imbalance. It states that such imbalance is caused by (1) a heavier flow of traffic into the Big

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<sup>1</sup> The rates are currently published in Item 4545 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

Pine-Bishop area from the Los Angeles-Orange County Metropolitan Area than is developed toward that metropolitan area; and (2) the common carrier duty to offer its service to the public on the northbound movements with unused capacity southbound. Applicant avers that the authority requested is needed for it to generate southbound movements out of the Big Pine-Bishop area in order to avoid running its equipment deadhead.

Revenue and expense data submitted by applicant disclose the transportation involved has been profitable and reasonably may be expected to be profitable under the proposed rates for the ensuing year.

The certificate of service shows that a copy of the application was mailed to California Trucking Association and other interested parties on or about May 25, 1972. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 2, 1972. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed rates will be reasonable and justified by transportation conditions. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

In view of the impending expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective on the date hereof.

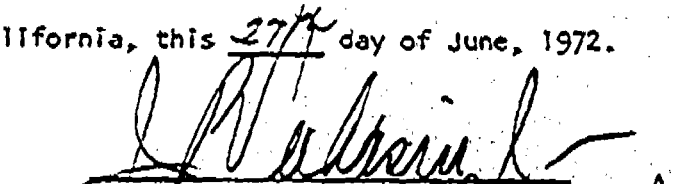
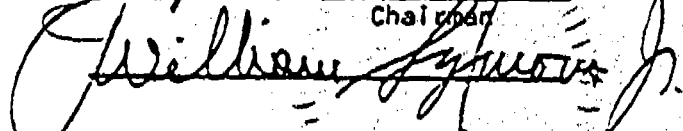
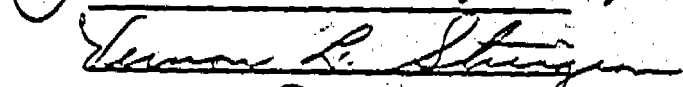

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., a corporation, is hereby authorized to publish and file, to expire with July 1, 1973, rates for the transportation of clay, pyrophyllite, silt, soapstone, talc and sand as set forth, and subject to the conditions specified, in Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

2. Tariff filings shall be made effective not earlier than one day after the effective date of this order on not less than one day's notice to the Commission and to the public.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1972.

  
Chairman  
  
  
  
Commissioners

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

## APPENDIX A

### Application of Rates - Commodities

The rates herein set forth apply for the transportation of the following commodities when packed in bags and palletized:

|              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Clay         | Soapstone                   |
| Pyrophyllite | Talc                        |
| Silt (Soil)  | Sand, including Silica Sand |

### Rates, In Cents Per 100 Pounds

| <u>From</u> | <u>To</u>                     | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Minimum Weight<br/>in Pounds<br/>Per Shipment</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Laws        | Points within the Los Angeles | # 42        | 40,000   |
| Keeler      | Area as described below and   | 6 44        | 40,000   |
| Olancha     | points intermediate thereto.  |             |  |

# Applicable only when shipment is loaded into carrier's equipment by the consignor, and when shipment is unloaded without expense to carrier by consignee with power equipment, provided that the shipping document indicates that the shipment was loaded by consignor and is to be unloaded by consignee under conditions described in this reference. Consignee shall certify unloading in accordance with instructions.

6 Applicable only when shipment is loaded into carrier's equipment by the consignor, and when shipment is unloaded by consignee with the physical assistance of a single carrier employee (either driver or helper, subject to Note) by use of power equipment furnished by the consignee without expense to the carrier, provided the shipping document indicates that the shipment was loaded by consignor and is to be unloaded by consignee under circumstances outlined in this reference. Consignee shall certify unloading in accordance with instructions.

Note: The physical assistance to be provided by the single carrier employee shall be restricted to work within, on, or immediately adjacent to the carrier's equipment.

Los Angeles Area: The Los Angeles Area, as so designated in connection with the rates set forth above, shall include Los Angeles and ten (10) miles thereof including Long Beach.

Shipments transported subject to the rates herein specified shall not be accorded privileges of split pickup or of split delivery.

Charges for transportation under the rates herein specified shall be assessed on gross weight of the shipment. No allowance shall be made for the weight of the bags and/or pallets.

APPENDIX B

Certificate of the Public Utilities  
Commission of the State of California Re  
Increases in Rates Certain Transportation from  
the Big Pine-Bishop Area to Los Angeles-Orange County Area

Pursuant to provisions of Section 300.16 of the Economic Stabilization Act Amendments of 1971, the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California does hereby certify to the Federal Price Commission as follows:

1. The decision of the California Public Utilities Commission to which this certification is attached authorizes Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., to increase by approximately 7.5 percent the rates it has been assessing since July 1, 1971 for the transportation of Clay, Pyrophyllite, Silt (Soil), Soapstone, Talc and Sand, including Silica Sand from Laws, Keeler and Olancho to points within a specifically described Los Angeles Area. The authorized rates are less than the Commission's established minimum rates for this transportation.

2. The increased rates reflect current cost conditions. Said rate increases are cost-based and do not reflect future inflationary expectations.

3. The rate increases are the minimum required to assure continued, adequate and safe service by carriers engaged in the transportation involved herein.

4. The dollar amount of the increased annual revenue, which the increases in rates are expected to produce for Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., is about \$736.

(END OF APPENDIX B)