Decision No. 81991

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of William A. Selby for authority to charge less than minimum rate for general commodities as stated in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

Application No. 54193 (Filed July 20, 1973)

OPINION

William A. Selby, doing business as Petrolia Stage, is a radial highway common carrier. He transports property between Eureka, Ferndale, and Fortuna, on the one hand, and Petrolia and Honeydew, on the other hand, via the Mattole Road, serving ranchers and small country stores and cafes. Applicant's principal business is selling real estate; the transportation service is operated on a part-time basis.

Applicant requests authority to deviate from the minimum rates for the transportation of general commodities between the above-described points. Applicant proposes to perform said transportation at 100 cents per 100 pounds or 3 cubic feet volume subject to a minimum charge of 50 cents per shipment.

Applicant alleges that the Petrolia-Honeydew area is a remote area not served by any freight line and therefore he has no competition.

The area was served previously by Leonard Shaha, doing business as Petrolia Stage, who was authorized to deviate from the minimum rates pursuant to Decision No. 65692 in Case No. 5432 (1963) 61 CPUC 197.

The application was noticed in the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 24, 1973. There are no protests.

Upon consideration of the allegations in this application the Commission finds that the proposed deviation from the minimum rates is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that William A. Selby is hereby authorized to depart from the minimum rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 to the extent set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at Los Angeles California, this 1/277

day of 00708ER , 1973.

Commissioners

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

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

APPENDIX A

Carrier:

William A. Selby, doing business as

Petrolia Stage.

Route:

Between Eureka, Ferndale, and Fortuna, on the one hand, and Petrolia and

Honeydew, on the other hand, via Mattole Road and Points within one mile laterally

of Mattole Road.

Rate:

100 cents per 100 pounds or 3 cubic feet volume. Minimum charge 50 cents per shipment.