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Decision No. 82105

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of BIGFOOT TRANSPORTATION) for authority to deviate from the rates) set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff #2 for) delivery and pickup of fresh seafood) products, within a radius of 50 miles) from McKinleyville and in conjunction) with previous or subsequent shipment) by air. Said authority is sought under) Public Utilities Code, Section 3666.

Application No. 53948 (Filed April 9, 1973)

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER

Kenneth Kretsinger and Leon Reeves, doing business as Bigfoot Transportation and presently providing service as a highway contract carrier, request authority to deviate from the rates and charges set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 for the transportation of fresh seafood products in cardboard boxes, originating at or destined to points within a 50-mile radius of McKinleyville in conjunction with previous or subsequent shipment by air.

Applicants propose a charge of \$1.00 per hundred pounds or fraction thereof with a minimum charge of \$4.50 per shipment.

It is alleged that the cost of performing said service is approximately \$2.00 per shipment and the average revenue at the proposed rates is approximately \$18.00 per shipment; that the seafood business is a major industry in the area; and higher rates would cause many of applicants' customers to resort to proprietary operations.

Applicants have been operating for less than a year and are therefore unable to provide any records of financial stability.

The requested authority will be granted on a six-month interim basis subject to the filing of financial data at the end of four months. If the transportation of said commodities is compensatory the authority to deviate will be extended. There are no protests.

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IT IS ORDERED that for a period of one hundred eighty days after the effective date of this order Kenneth Kretsinger and Leon Reeves, doing business as Bigfoot Transportation, may deviate from the rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 by charging and assessing the rates to the extent set forth in the application, subject to the condition that applicants shall file within one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this order financial data relating to the cost of providing said service and the revenue derived therefrom as well as a profit and loss statement for the year 1973.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

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