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Decision No. 83153

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation) into the rates, rules and regulations,) charges, allowances and practices of) all common carriers, highway carriers) and city carriers relating to the transportation of any and all commodities between and within all points) and places in the State of California) (including but not limited to, trans-) portation for which rates are provided) in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2).

Case No. 5432 Petition for Modification No. 804 (Filed May 30, 1974)

OPINION AND ORDER

Decision No. 81696 (1973) authorized Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., a highway common carrier, to publish rates of 45 and 47 cents per 100 pounds, $\frac{1}{}$ minimum weights 40,000 pounds, for the transportation of clay, pyrophyllite, silt, soapstone, tale, and sand (including silica sand) from Laws, Keeler, and Olancha to points within the Los Angeles area. $\frac{2}{}$ Authority

- 1/ The two rates relate to different loading and unloading conditions specified in Appendix A of Decision No. 81696.
- 2/ Petitioner was authorized to transport general commodities as a highway common carrier between Los Angeles and Bridgeport by Decision No. 75248 (1969). Authority to deviate from minimum rates for transportation of the commodities involved herein was first granted by Decision No. 77652 (1970). The authority has been reviewed periodically. The rates were increased to the present level by Decision No. 81696.

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is requested in this petition to extend the authority for an additional one-year period. In support of this request, petitioner alleges that the circumstances still exist which were cited as justification for the granting of rate relief in Decision No. 81696.

The present authority which is sought to be extended to July 1, 1975 is reproduced in Appendix A of the petition. Appendix B is petitioner's balance sheet dated December 31, 1973. Appendix C is a statement of income and retained earnings for the year ended December 31, 1973. Appendix D is a record of 49 shipments aggregating 2,183,780 pounds transported at reduced rates between June 4 and November 29, 1973. The data disclose that revenue was \$9,532.06; total costs were \$5,991.02; and net profit was \$3,541.04. Petitioner asserts that the financial data furnished indicate that operations have been profitable and will continue to be profitable.

Service of the petition was made upon known interested parties on or about May 29, 1974. Notice of the petition was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 3, 1973. There were no protests.

We find that the proposed rates are reasonable and justified by transportation conditions. A public hearing is not necessary. The petition should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Big Pine Trucking Company, Inc., a highway common carrier, is authorized to continue to publish and file, to expire July 1, 1975, rates for the transportation of clay, pyrophyllite, silt, soapstone, tale, and sand as set forth, and subject to the conditions specified, in Appendix A of Petition No. 804, Case No. 5432.

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

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. Dated at ______, California, this ______ day of ______, 1974.

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