

Decision No. 84753**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of: )the DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY - )  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE )Application No. 55671  
(Filed May 5, 1975)To sell and transfer the certifi- )  
cate of public convenience and )  
necessity of ALDO J. SCOFFONE, )  
d/b/a SCOFFONE TRUCKING SERVICE, )  
authorizing the transportation )  
of cement to RAYMOND E. SKAGGS, )  
an individual. )OPINION

Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service (seller), requests authority to sell and transfer, and Raymond E. Skaggs, an individual, (purchaser) requests authority to purchase and acquire a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing operations as a cement carrier.

The certificate was granted by Resolution No. 13821, Sub. No. 78, dated June 23, 1964, in Application No. 46536 to Aldo J. Scoffone, doing business as Scoffone Trucking Service, (Scoffone) and authorizes the transportation of cement from any and all points of origin to and within the Counties of Alameda, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, Placer, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter and Yolo.

Under authority contained in Section 6331 of the Internal Revenue Code, the certificate was seized by the IRS for nonpayment of delinquent internal revenue taxes due from Aldo J. Scoffone and thereafter was sold to Raymond E. Skaggs at public auction under

sealed bid in accordance with the provisions of Section 6335 of the Internal Revenue Code and pertinent regulations, subject to approval of transfer by the Public Utilities Commission. A copy of the Certificate of Sale of Seized Property, dated March 24, 1975, evidencing said sale was submitted with the application. The terms of said sale are payment at consummation of the total cash purchase price of \$13,323.00 to be paid to the District Director of the Internal Revenue Service upon approval of the transfer.

Applicant purchaser currently holds a cement carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by Decision No. 79574, dated January 11, 1972, in Application No. 52940, as amended by Decision No. 79678, dated February 8, 1972, in Application No. 52940. The certificate authorizes operation to and within the Counties of Butte, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo.

Applicants recognize that purchaser currently holds authority to provide service in eight counties duplicated by the certificate subject to the application and request the Commission to issue an in lieu certificate in connection with the requested transfer which deletes duplication of the Counties of Butte, Contra Costa, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo.

Applicant purchaser's financial statement of December 31, 1974 shows assets of \$215,992, liabilities of \$86,568 and net profit after taxes for 1974 of \$12,457. Purchaser also holds highway carrier permits and a highway common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity. He operates six tractors, fifteen trailers and one dolly.

Scoffone participates in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local Freight Tariff No. 17 (Cal.P.U.C. No. 21) which applicant purchaser proposes to adopt effective with consummation of the proposed transfer.

Applicants have requested relief from the provisions of Rule 37 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which requires that copies of the application be widely disseminated. It is alleged that copies of the application were mailed to the California Trucking Association and the principal cement mills in this State. Notice of the filing of the application was made in the Commission's Daily Calendar of May 7, 1975. It is further alleged that the deviation is justified under Rule 87, to provide just, speedy and inexpensive determination of the issues presented. No protests to the application have been received.

The Commission finds that the deviation from Rule 37 should be authorized, that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest and concludes that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary. The order which follows will provide for, in the event the transfer is completed, the revocation of the cement carrier certificates presently held by Aldo J. Scoffone and Raymond E. Skaggs and the issuance of a certificate in appendix form to Raymond E. Skaggs.

The authorization granted shall not be construed as a finding of the value of the right authorized to be transferred.

Purchaser is placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, such rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business. This monopoly feature may be modified or cancelled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or before December 1, 1975, Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service may sell and transfer the operative rights referred to in the application to Raymond E. Skaggs.

2. Within thirty days after the transfer, the purchaser shall file with the Commission written acceptance of the certificate and a true copy of the bill of sale or other instrument of transfer.

3. Purchaser shall amend or reissue the tariffs on file with the Commission, naming rates and rules governing the common carrier operations transferred to show that he has adopted or established, as his own, the rates and rules. The tariff filings shall be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff filings shall be concurrent with the transfer. The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 117-Series. Failure to comply with the provisions of General Order No. 117-Series may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

4. In the event the transfer authorized in paragraph 1 is completed, effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 3, a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Raymond E. Skaggs authorizing him to operate as a cement carrier, as defined in Section 214.1 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. The certificates of public convenience and necessity granted by Resolution No. 13821, Sub. No. 78 and Decision No. 79574, as amended, are revoked effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 3.

6. Purchaser shall comply with the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol and insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 100-Series.

7. Purchaser shall maintain his accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of its operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

8. Purchaser shall comply with the requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 84-Series for the transportation of collect on delivery shipments. If purchaser elects not to transport collect on delivery shipments, he shall make the appropriate tariff filings as required by the General Order.

9. Applicants are granted a deviation from Rule 37 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure to the extent requested.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5th day of August, 1975.

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President  
*William J. Sturgeon*  
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*Thomas L. Sturgeon*  
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*Robert B. Sturgeon*  
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Commissioners

Raymond E. Skaggs, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to conduct operations as a cement carrier as defined in Section 214.1 of the Public Utilities Code, from any and all points of origin to any and all points in the counties of:

Alameda, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, Placer, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter and Yolo

RESTRICTION:

This certificate of public convenience and necessity shall lapse and terminate if not exercised for a period of one year.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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