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Decision No. 85992

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investiga- ) tion for the purpose of consid- ) ering and determining minimum ) rates for transportation of any ) and all commodities statewide ) including, but not limited to ) those rates which are provided ) in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 and the) revisions or reissues thereof. )

Case No. 5432
Petition for Modification
No. 881
(Filed March 2, 1976)

And Related Matters

Cases Nos. 5439 and 5441
Petitions for Modification
Nos. 266 and 353, respectively
(Filed March 2, 1976)

## OPINION AND ORDER

Lewis Reece, doing business as Central Valley Courier Service, seeks exemption from the minimum rates and rules in Minimum Rate Tariffs 1-B, 2, 9-B and 19 applicable to the transportation of checks, drafts, money orders, securities, certain business records and documents and other articles in vehicles not exceeding a licensed weight of 4,000 pounds.

The application is based on special circumstances and conditions detailed therein.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of March 3, 1976. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that petitioner intends to engage in a courier transportation service for which competing highway carriers have heretofore been exempted from the otherwise governing minimum rates and petitioner's request for similar relief has been shown to be justified. A public hearing

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is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the petitions should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order.

IT IS ORDERED that:

Lewis Reece is exempted from the otherwise governing provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff 1-B, 2, 9-B and 19 when engaged in the courier transportation of checks, drafts, money orders, securities, transit items, sales audit items, business records, audit media, tabulation cards, data processing materials, legal documents, printed or reproduced documents or data and related items, drugs, radioactive pharmaceuticals and film, excluding transportation subject to weekly, monthly or yearly vehicle unit rates when transported in vehicles not exceeding a licensed weight of 4,000 pounds.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2nd day of June, 1976.

William Symony.

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