

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 86139

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
 of PROGRESSIVE TRANSPORTATION)
 COMPANY, a California corporation,)
 to deviate from minimum rates)
 pursuant to Section 3666 of the)
 Public Utilities Code for the)
 transportation of steel plate,)
 coils and billets for the account)
 of Norris Industries.)

Application No. 56557
 (Filed June 14, 1976)

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Progressive Transportation Company, a corporation, requests authority to deviate from the provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff 2 in connection with the transportation of steel plate, coils and billets, from the plant of Kaiser Steel Corporation near Fontana to various points in the Los Angeles metropolitan area for Norris Industries.¹

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

¹ The minimum and proposed rates in cents per 100 pounds for the transportation of representative shipments of steel plate from Kaiser Steel Mills are set forth for the following points:

<u>Destination</u>	(1) Present Rate Minimum Weight <u>36,000 Pounds</u>	Proposed Rate Minimum Weight <u>40,000 Pounds</u>
A) Torrance MZ 247	62	37
B) Bell Gardens MZ 236	53	30
C) Long Beach MZ 249	59	37
D) Vernon MZ 235	59	30

(1) Subject to surcharges of 1% and 3%.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that applicant's proposal is reasonable on a temporary basis pending hearing. The Commission concludes that interim authority should be granted and the effective date of this order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

The Commission has decided, as a matter of policy, to extend the period of interim authority for deviations from minimum rates to one year, rather than the present six months. This policy change is necessary because experience has shown that the six-month period in most instances is not sufficient time to obtain adequate cost data, to hold a hearing, to analyze the evidence, and to issue a final decision.

IT IS ORDERED that:


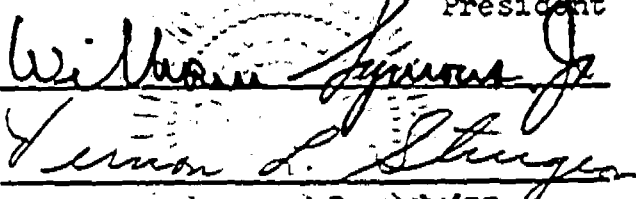
1. Progressive Transportation Company, a corporation, is authorized to perform the transportation shown in Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof at not less than the rates set forth therein.

2. The authority granted herein shall expire one year after the effective date of this order unless sooner cancelled, modified or extended by further order of the Commission.

3. A public hearing shall be scheduled on this application at a date to be set.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of July, 1976.


President

Commissioner Leonard Ross, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.
Commissioner Robert Batinovich, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.
Commissioners

APPENDIX A

Progressive Transportation Company, a corporation, is authorized to transport steel plate, coils and billets for Norris Industries from the plant site of Kaiser Steel Corporation near Fontana to the following points, subject to the rates and conditions set forth below:

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Rate in Cents Per 100 Pounds</u>	<u>Minimum Weight In Pounds</u>
20000 South Western Avenue Torrance	37	40,000
7606 South Ramish Street Bell Gardens	30	40,000
2119 East Cury Street Long Beach	35 (billets) 37 (steel plate and coils)	40,000 40,000
4980 and 5215 South Boyle Avenue and 3050 Leonis Boulevard Vernon	30	40,000

Conditions:

- 1) Shipments to be power loaded and power unloaded at no cost to the carrier.
- 2) All freight charges to be paid by Norris Industries.
- 3) The rates apply per unit of carrier's equipment.
- 4) Although applicant has indicated that subhaulers will be engaged, no costs of any subhaulers have been submitted. Therefore, if subhaulers are employed, they shall be paid no less than the rates authorized herein.
- 5) In all other respects, the rates and rules in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 shall apply.

(END OF APPENDIX A)