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Decision ______ September 8, 1982

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application of Branch Oilfield Construction, Inc. for a permit to operate as a dump truck carrier.

Application 82-05-28 (Filed May 12, 1982)

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Branch Oilfield Construction, Inc., a California corporation, requests a permit as a dump truck carrier to operate in the Counties of Kern, Kings, and Fresno.

Copies of the application were served on Aggregates & Concrete Association, Associated Independent Owner-Operators, Inc., California Asphalt Pavement Association, California Carrier's Association, MTTDC, California Dump Truck Owners' Association, California Trucking Association, Highway Carriers' Association, and Southern California Rock Products Association. Notice of filing of the application also appeared on the Commission's Daily Calendar of May 13, 1982. No protests have been received. <u>Discussion</u>

Applicant's principal claims to have eight years of experience in the dump truck business. It presently owns four end dump trailers; this is in addition to 24 power units. It has \$300,000 cash on hand and accounts receivable of \$539,000. Its vehicles and other equipment are valued at over \$3 million subject to slightly over \$800,000 of outstanding debt. Its net worth is slightly over a million dollars. Applicant presently holds no highway carrier operating authority from this Commission.

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Findings of Fact

- 1. Applicant:
 - a. Is a fit and proper corporation to receive a permit to operate as a dump truck carrier.
 - b. Has sufficient operating knowledge and financial ability to initiate and continue the proposed operation.
 - c. Has demonstrated that the privilege sought:
 - (1) Will not endanger the safety of the public or interfere with the public use of the public highways or impair the condition or maintenance of them, directly or indirectly.
 - (2) Will not unnecessarily burden the public highways.
 - (3) Is necessary to serve the public and will not impair the ability of presently permitted dump truck carriers to provide adequate service at the lowest possible reasonable rates.
- 2. Applicant is a California corporation.

3. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

4. The following order complies with the Commission's Energy Efficiency Plan.

5. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusions of Law

1. Applicant should be granted a dump truck carrier permit authorizing operations within and between points in the Counties of Kern, Kings, and Fresno.

2. The following order should be effective today to be consistent with other permit grants.

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IT IS ORDERED that the Executive Director shall issue a dump truck carrier permit to Branch Oilfield Construction, Inc., authorizing operations within and between points in the Counties of Kern, Kings, and Fresno upon compliance with General Order Series 100.

This order is effective today. Dated <u>SEP 81982</u>, at San Francisco, California.

> JOHN E. ERYSON President RICHARD D. GRAVELLE LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR. VICTOR CALVO PRISCILLA C. GREW Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY. Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive DS.

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