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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Bank Drayage, Inc.)
Pursuant to Section 3666 of the
Public Utilities Code for Author-)
ity to Deviate from the Unit of
Measurement Requirements of
MRT-2 and MRT-19.

Application No. 57529 (Filed August 23, 1977)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Bank Drayage, Inc., a corporation, requests authority to depart from the units of measurement provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff 2 (statewide general commodities) and Minimum Rate Tariff 19 (San Francisco Drayage) in connection with the transportation of commodities, the transportation of which, because of size or weight, require the use of special equipment; bank and industrial security equipment; industrial machinery; and the entire contents of a plant or warehouse.

Applicant claims that the service it provides is of a highly specialized nature because of the extraordinary size and weight of the commodities, the unusual loading and unloading characteristics, the movement and the installation of machinery and equipment.

Applicant declares that the time required for actual overthe-road transportation of the involved commodities is insignificant in comparison with the time necessary for applicant to complete the entire job including loading, unloading and installation. Therefore, applicant contends that the minimum rates established by the Commission which are based on the weight of the shipment being moved, are unsuited and impractical for use by applicant in connection with the aforementioned transportation.

Applicant states it frequently moves the equipment and tools of industrial and manufacturing plants from one location to another. This move requires the services of such specialists as ironworkers, millwrights, plumbers and electricians to perform the dismantling and reinstallation of the involved equipment and tools. The shipper

regards the entire service as a single package requiring applicant to quote a rate based on either an hourly or a flat charge basis.

Applicant also moves vault doors, safe deposit boxes, safes and large pieces of industrial machinery either from the point of manufacture or sale or in connection with the movement of a banking business from one location to another. Jacks and rollers, and on occasion, cranes, are necessary to load and unload these heavy items which are transported on special high-low trucking equipment.

Applicant alleges that the freight charges assessed for the transportation involved exceed those otherwise applicable under the Commission's minimum rates.

Applicant requests that the Commission, in granting this deviation, require that applicant make a computation on its office copy of the freight bill to show for every service the minimum rate and charges established by the Commission as well, to insure that applicant's charges are not below minimum. This freight bill would be subject to the Commission's inspection whenever the Commission deems it necessary.

Revenue and expense data submitted by applicant indicate that the transportation involved may reasonably be expected to be profitable under the proposed rates.

Similar authorities have been granted in the past to Progressive Transportation Company pursuant to Decision 78216 and extended by SDD-527 and to Bigge Drayage Co. pursuant to Decision 82555 and extended by SDD-542.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 24, 1977. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that applicant's proposal is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order and the effective date of this order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Bank Drayage Inc. 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 canceled, modified or extended by further order of the Commission.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6/th day

of BECEMBER, 1977.

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President

APPENDIX A

- l. Bank Drayage, Inc., a corporation, is authorized as a high-way contract carrier to quote or assess rates and accessorial charges based upon a unit of measurement different from that in which the minimum rates and charges are stated in Minimum Rate Tariffs 2 and 19 with respect to the following transportation services:
- a. Commodities, the transportation of which, because of size, weight, or special handling requirements require the use of special equipment, and commodities not of unusual size or weight or requiring special handling when their transportation is incidental to the transportation by applicant of commodities which by reason of size or weight or special handling requirements require special equipment.
- b. Bank and industrial security equipment, including, but not limited to, safes, vault doors, night depositories, safe deposit boxes and remote transmission systems.
 - c. Industrial and manufacturing machinery.
- d. The entire contents of a plant or warehouse from an old location to a new location which involves the transportation of some articles which because of their size or weight require the use of special equipment, together with all other items involved in the same move which are not of such character.
- 2. The freight charges assessed under the authority granted in Paragraph 1 hereof shall not be less than those which would have been assessed had the rates and accessorial charges stated in the applicable minimum rate tariff been applied.
- 3. Bank Drayage, Inc. shall retain and preserve copies of its freight bills, subject to the Commission's inspection, for a period of not less than three years from the dates of issuance thereof; and each copy of its freight bills shall have attached thereto a statement of the charges which would have been assessed if the minimum rates had applied and the full information necessary for accurate determination of the charges under the minimum rates.
- 4. Applicant has not indicated that subhaulers will be engaged nor have any costs of subhaulers been submitted. Therefore, if subhaulers are employed, they shall be paid no less than the rates authorized herein without any deduction for use of applicant's trailing equipment.
- 5. In all other respects the rates and rules in Minimum Rate Tariffs 2 and 19 shall apply.