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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Sunrise Transpor-)
tation, Inc. for Authority Under)
the Provisions of Section 3666 of)
the Public Utilities Code, to)
Deviate from the Minimum Rates in)
Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 Appli-)
cable to the Transportation of)
Soda Ash from South Gate to)
Boron.)

Application No. 58459
(Filed November 8, 1978)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Sunrise Transportation, Inc., seeks to deviate from the provisions of Minimum Rate Tariff 2 when transporting soda ash, in bulk, from Stauffer Chemical Company in South Gate to the U. S. Borax Company plant at Boron.¹

Applicant cites the following special circumstances:

1. Shipments are gravity loaded by the consignor at origin and unloaded by pneumatic pressure at destination. Approximately one and one-half hours each is required to load and unload.
2. Applicant transports soda ash between Trona and Boron on a daily basis. One vehicle is assigned a second shift driver before its last delivery to Boron which is then dispatched directly from Boron to South Gate to pick up a return load of Soda Ash to Boron. This enables the vehicle to avoid the heavy daytime traffic in the area surrounding South Gate and results in better utilization of equipment.

¹The present and proposed rates for the transportation of 50,000 pound shipments of soda ash from South Gate to Boron, in cents per 100 pounds, are:

<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
79	55

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 9, 1978. 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.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Sunrise Transportation, 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 rate 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.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of January, 1979.

Robert K. ...
President
Arthur D. ...
Clare J. ...

Commissioners

APPENDIX A

Carrier: Sunrise Transportation, Inc.
Commodity: Soda Ash
Origin: Stauffer Chemical Company Facility located at
4570 Ardine Street, South Gate
Destination: U. S. Borax Company Plant located at Boron
Rate in Cents
Per 100 Pounds: 55
Minimum Weight: 50,000 pounds per unit of carrier's equipment.

Conditions:

1. Applies only to straight shipments of the commodity named, when transported in bulk in hopper-type equipment, gravity loaded by the shipper and unloaded by means of pneumatic pressure.
2. Applicant has indicated that subhaulers will not be engaged. Therefore, if subhaulers are employed, they shall be paid not less than the rate authorized herein without any deduction for use of applicant's trailing equipment.
3. Except as otherwise provided herein, the rules and regulations of Minimum Rate Tariff 2 shall govern, except that surcharge provisions shall not apply.

(END OF APPENDIX A)