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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Nikolaus Tank) Lines, Inc., for a permit to) operate as a dump truck) carrier. (File 372.70.))

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Application 60680 (Filed June 25, 1981)

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Nikolaus Tank Lines, Inc. (Nikolaus), a California corporation, seeks a permit to operate as a dump truck carrier within Inyo and Mono Counties. Nikolaus currently holds a permit to operate as a tank truck carrier. Notice of the filing of the application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 29, 1981. Nikolaus served some 10 parties with copies of its application including, among others, the California Trucking Association, Associated General Contractors, and California Dump Truck Owners Association. No protest to the application has been received.

As of December 31, 1980, Nikolaus had total assets of approximately \$448,000. Total stockholders' equity as of the same date was approximately \$279,000.

Three businesses from the area proposed to be served submitted certificates in support of the application.

Findings of Fact

1. Nikolaus is a fit and proper entity to receive a permit as a dump truck carrier and possesses sufficient operating knowledge and financial ability to perform the proposed operation.

2. Nikolaus' equipment will not endanger the safety of highways or impair the condition or maintenance of them either directly or indirectly.

3. Nikolaus' proposed operation will not unnecessarily burden the public highways, 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.

4. Nikolaus is a California corporation.

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

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

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted. The effective date of the following order should be the date of signature to be consistent with the issuance of permits to other classes of carriers. A.60680 ALJ/II

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IT IS ORDERED that upon applicant's compliance with the Commission's General Order Series 100, the Executive Director shall issue a dump truck carrier permit to Nikolaus Tank Lines, Inc., authorizing operations within and between all points in the Counties of Inyo and Mono.

This order is effective today. Dated _____ SEP 1 5 1981 _, at/San Francisco, Callifornia. sioners