Decision No. <u>68103</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of:

INTERSTATE FREIGHT CARRIERS CONFERENCE, INC., AGENT.

For authority to cancel joint rates between motor carriers enumerated in Actions 1 and 2 below, presently published in Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent, California Common Carrier Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 2:

ACTION 1 Between ASSOCIATED FREIGHT LINES, on the one hand, and on the other TRANSCON LINES WATSON-WILSON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, INC. WESTERN GILLETTE, INC.

ACTION NO. 2 Between DI SALVO TRUCKING CO., on the one hand, and on the other BAY CITIES EXPRESS CO. WESTERN GILLETTE, INC.

and to depart from the terms of Sections 454 and 491 of the Public Utilities Code to accomplish desired cancellation.

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, authority is sought to cancel, on less than statutory notice, joint rates between points served by Associated Freight Lines (Associated), on the one hand, and Transcon Lines, Watson-Wilson Transportation System, Inc., and Western Gillette, Inc., on the other hand; and between Di Salvo Trucking Co. (Di Salvo), on

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the one hand, and Bay Cities Express Co. and Vestern Gillette, Inc., on the other hand.¹

According to the application, no intrastate traffic is presently being interlined between Associated and Transcon Lines, Watson-Wilson Transportation System, Inc., and Western Gillette, Inc.; the amount of freight interlined between Di Salvo and Bay Cities Express Co. and Western Gillette is nonexistent; and there is no need for joint rates to be continued in effect at additional cost to the carriers involved. Associated and Di Salvo state that they provide direct service between most points authorized to be served by these other carriers, they have in effect joint through rates with many other carriers between points they are not authorized to serve and they will continue to maintain such joint rates.

Applicant avers that it has received instructions to cancel the participation of Associated and Di Salvo from the tariff effective November 1, 1964, as on and after that date the local and remaining joint rates of Associated and Di Salvo will be published and maintained in Western Motor Tariff Bureau Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, for economical reasons. Applicant further avers that the shipping public using the services of Associated and Di Salvo will not be deprived of adequate through daily service at the present level of joint rates. Ex parte action is requested.

The certificate of service shows that a copy of the application was mailed to Associated Freight Lines, Transcon Lines, Watson-Wilson Transportation System, Inc., Western Gillette, Inc., Di Salvo Trucking Co., Bay Cities Express Co. and California Trucking Association on September 23, 1964. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

The joint rates in question are published in Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent, California Common Carrier Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff No. 10, Cal.P.U.C. No. 2.

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In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the cancellation of joint rates as proposed in this application is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent, is hereby authorized to cancel joint rates as proposed in this application.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this ______ day of October, 1964.

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Commissioners

Commissioner William M. Bennett. being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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