

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 70004

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff)  
Bureau, Inc. under the Shortened )  
Procedure Tariff Docket to publish )  
for and on behalf of Western )  
Gillette, Inc. tariff provisions )  
resulting in increases due to pro- )  
posed cancellation of exception )  
ratings on Live or Dressed Poultry.)

Shortened Procedure  
Tariff Docket  
Application No. 47912  
(Filed September 22,  
1965)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, for and on behalf of Western Gillette, Inc., to cancel from one of its tariffs a fourth class less-truckload exception rating on live or dressed poultry.<sup>1</sup> Under this proposal, the first class less-truckload rating in the Governing Classification would apply upon cancellation of the rating in question.<sup>2</sup>

Applicant declares that the present fourth class rating is unrealistic for the reason that dressed poultry must always move in refrigerated equipment. It avers that fresh meats have approximately the same value and the same transportation characteristics as dressed poultry and that charges on fresh meats are assessed on the basis of a first class rating. Applicant alleges that the carrier has not handled a shipment of live poultry within the last

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<sup>1</sup> The tariff is Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Exception Sheet No. 1-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 18.

<sup>2</sup> The classification ratings on live and dressed poultry are named in Items Nos. 134740 and 161400, respectively, of National Motor Freight Classification A-8 (CAL) as governed by National Motor Freight Classification A-8, collectively referred to herein as the Governing Classification.

several years and, should an occasional shipment be tendered, the resulting handling expenses would exceed the charges derived from application of the proposed first class rating.

Applicant asserts that the increases resulting from the publication of the proposed changes would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of Western Gillette, Inc., by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 23, 1965. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

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

IT IS ORDERED that:

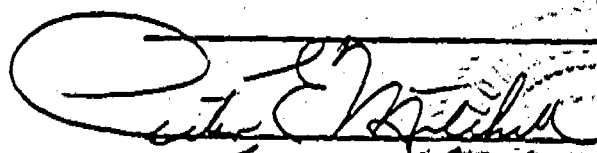


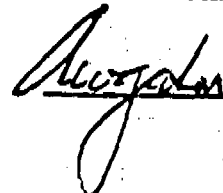
1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, is hereby authorized on behalf of Western Gillette, Inc., to cancel from its Exception Sheet No. 1-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 18, the exception rating as proposed in this application.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than thirty days after the effective date of this order on not less than thirty 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.

This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 1965.

  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Frederick B. Holoboff, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.