

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 70654

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket for and on behalf of Paxton Trucking Company to participate in a rule restricting the transportation of lengthy articles and other articles of restricted dimensions, the publication of which will result in increases.)	
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)	Shortened Procedure
)	Tariff Docket
)	Application No. 48284
)	(Filed March 4, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority to publish, on behalf of Paxton Trucking Company (Paxton), an amended tariff rule pertaining to the transportation of lengthy articles and other articles of restricted dimensions.¹

The proposed tariff amendment would provide that Paxton's rail competitive rates, principally on iron and steel or iron and steel articles, would not apply to any article in excess of 8 feet in width or height or 60 feet in length. In lieu thereof, Paxton's higher class or commodity rates would apply.²

Applicant declares that Paxton is occasionally called upon to transport shipments consisting of lengthy articles and other articles of restricted dimensions under the rail competitive rates in Tariff No. 101. Applicant alleges that these shipments usually move during certain daylight hours and invariably require special

¹ The tariff rule, which is currently in effect for the account of other carriers, is published in Item No. 530 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local and Proportional Freight Tariff No. 101, Cal.P.U.C. No. 4, hereinafter referred to as Tariff No. 101.

² These class and commodity rates are set forth in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, hereinafter referred to as Tariff No. 111.

handling and specialized equipment. Applicant avers that the special conditions and restrictions involved in handling such articles serve to increase the carrier's operating costs and that Paxton's experience in transporting such shipments has proven that the rail competitive rates involved are not compensatory.

Applicant asserts that the increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase Paxton's California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of March 7, 1966. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that publication of the rule, on behalf of Paxton Trucking Company, 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 to publish, on behalf of Paxton Trucking Company, tariff provisions in Item No. 530 of its Local and Proportional Freight Tariff No. 101, Cal.P.U.C. No. 4, 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 ninety 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 3rd day of May, 1966.

Fredrick B. Holbeck
President
John E. ...
George H. Hoover
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William W. ...
Commissioners