

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 71045

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of:)

THEATRE TRANSIT CO.
for an ex parte order to increase Rate
on Motion Picture Film, with or without
motion picture film accessories consist-
ing of advertising matter and posters
but not including printed programs.)

Application No. 48530
(Filed June 3, 1966,
Amended June 21, 1966)

AND

For authority to depart from the terms
of Section 454 of the Public Utilities
Code in accomplishing proposed publication.)

O P I N I O N

Theatre Transit Co., a corporation, operates as a highway common carrier for the transportation of motion picture film, theatre accessories, fixtures and supplies, including advertising materials and snack shop items, between San Francisco and various other points, including Culver City, Hollywood and Los Angeles. By this application, as amended, it seeks authority to establish a minimum charge of \$4.35 per shipment in connection with transportation between San Francisco, on the one hand, and Culver City, Hollywood and Los Angeles, on the other hand.

The application alleges that motion picture film and accessories are not subject to minimum rates established by the Commission; therefore, applicant initially established its rates on levels comparable to those maintained by competing carriers. In establishing its tariff, applicant, through oversight, failed to publish a minimum charge in connection with its commodity rate applicable between San Francisco and Culver City, Hollywood and Los Angeles. Applicant has assessed charges on shipments under 100 pounds based on the charge for 100 pounds at the applicable commodity

rate until a recent review of applicant's records by the Commission's staff indicated that such method was not in accordance with applicant's tariffs filed with the Commission. The minimum charge sought to be established is on the same level as the current minimum charge between the points in question set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 and found reasonable by the Commission in connection with the transportation of general commodities.

Copies of the application were served in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules. In addition, the application was listed on the Commission's daily calendar of June 6, 1966. The application states that shippers have been informed of the filing of the application and have no objection to the relief sought. No protests have been received.

After consideration the Commission finds that the increase in rates resulting from the authority sought herein is justified, and that a public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application, as amended, should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Theatre Transit Co. is hereby authorized to publish and file in its Local Freight Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, a minimum charge of \$4.35 per shipment in connection with transportation between San Francisco, on the one hand, and Culver City, Hollywood, and Los Angeles, on the other hand. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier

than ten days after the effective date hereof on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

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

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this
26th day of JULY, 1966.

John L. Dittell
President

George W. Brown

Fredrick B. Hallock

Avogadro

William W. Bennett
Commissioners