

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 71304

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of COAST DRAYAGE under )  
the Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket )  
to make increases in rates on Cement, )  
Milk products, Sugar, Hay, Fodder and )  
Straw, by cancelling its participa- )  
tion in Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, )  
Inc., Tariff Cal.P.U.C. No. 6, of )  
Leland C. Smith, Agent and by )  
cancelling Item 1545.01 and portion )  
of Item 1732.1 in Pacific Motor )  
Tariff Bureau, Inc., Tariff Cal. )  
P.U.C. No. 1-Freight (Series of )  
D. W. Baker, Agent). )

Shortened Procedure  
Tariff Docket  
Application No. 48637  
(Filed July 18, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Coast Drayage seeks authority to cancel (1) its participation in a tariff naming distance commodity rates for the transportation of cement; (2) railhead rates on certain canned milk products from Ripon to Salida; (3) railhead rates on sugar from Manteca to Empire, McHenry, Modesto, Oakdale and Turlock; and (4) certain rates on fodder, hay and straw.<sup>1</sup> Applicant proposes to apply class rates in lieu of the aforementioned commodity rates for the transportation involved.

Applicant states that it recently adopted the operating authority and tariffs of Todd Freight Lines, Inc. (bankrupt), that

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<sup>1</sup> Applicant participates in Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Local Freight Tariff No. 14, Cal.P.U.C. No. 6 of Leland C. Smith, Agent, in connection with the transportation of cement. The railhead rates on canned milk products and sugar are respectively set forth in Items 1545.01 and 1732.1 of Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Local Freight and Express Tariff No. 8-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1-Freight (Series of D. W. Baker, Agent), issued by Leland C. Smith, Agent. The rates on the fodder, hay and straw are named in West Coast Freight Tariff Bureau, Local Freight Tariff No. 13, Cal. P.U.C. No. 16 of Richard A. Bennett, Agent.

it has never handled any traffic under the rates involved and that there is no prospect of such a movement in the future. Applicant avers that its terminal is located in Berkeley, that the rates proposed to be canceled are generally in the area between Manteca, Oakdale and Turlock and that such rates produce from \$31.00 to \$55.80 per truckload. Applicant alleges that it would have to operate its equipment at least 200 miles roundtrip to transport a shipment moving under these rates and that the revenue which it would receive for such transportation is not sufficient to operate the vehicle.

Applicant asserts that the increases resulting from the cancellation of the proposed rates would not increase its California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 19, 1966. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from the cancellation of the rates as proposed in the application are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Coast Drayage is hereby authorized to cancel its participation in Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Local Freight Tariff No. 14, Cal.P.U.C. No. 6 of Leland C. Smith, Agent, and to cancel rates as proposed in the 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 Los Angeles, California, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1966.

President

*George H. Hoover*

Frederick B. Holoboff

*Sullivan B. Beard*  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.