

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 71625

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 Associated Freight Lines tariff provisions resulting in increases because of the proposed cancellation of certain specific rail competitive commodity rates.)	
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)	Shortened Procedure
)	Tariff Docket
)	Application No. 48864
)	(Filed October 14, 1966)
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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Associated Freight Lines (Associated) to cancel certain 80,000 pound rail-competitive rates on soap and related articles between Sacramento, Stockton and San Francisco Bay Area points, on the one hand, and various southern California points, on the other hand.¹

Applicant alleges that Associated has determined that the rates proposed to be canceled are noncompensatory insofar as its operations are concerned and that they are being utilized, to the best of the carrier's knowledge, by only one shipper. Applicant states that Associated has discussed the matter with the shipper involved and that the shipper has no objection to the cancellation of such rates. Applicant avers that, should the rates be canceled as proposed, rates based on a minimum weight of 50,000 pounds would apply in lieu thereof.

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

¹ The rates are set forth in Item No. 2565 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 109, Cal.P.U.C. No. 13.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 17, 1966. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the increases resulting from the cancellation of the rail competitive 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. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, is hereby authorized to cancel the participation of Associated Freight Lines in various rail competitive 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 San Francisco, California, this 29th day of November, 1966.

President

Frederick B. White
William L. Bernard
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Commissioners

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Commissioner George G. Grover did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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