

Decision No. 71630

ORIGINAL

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 Paxton Trucking Company tariff provisions resulting in increases because of the proposed cancellation of a specific rail competitive commodity rate.)	Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 48800 (Filed September 20, 1966)
---	---	--

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, for and on behalf of Paxton Trucking Company (Paxton), to cancel a rail competitive rate on specific iron or steel articles from Pittsburg to Richmond.¹

Applicant avers that the proposed cancellation of the above rate would, if granted, result in the application of higher class rates on this traffic. Applicant states that the rail rate for the transportation involved has not been increased for a long period of time by the rail carriers and Paxton has not increased its competitive rate. Applicant alleges that the rate in question is unrealistic and noncompensatory in the light of today's costs.

Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the cancellation of the rate, as proposed, would not increase Paxton's California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

Paxton informed the Commission by letter that it has notified all known interested shippers. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 21, 1966. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

¹The rate involved, which is 12½ cents per 100 pounds, minimum weight 60,000 pounds, is published in Item No. 1069.1 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.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from the cancellation of the rail competitive rate, 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., is hereby authorized to cancel the participation of Paxton Trucking Company in the rate in Item No. 1069.1 of its Local and Proportional Freight Tariff No. 101, Cal.P.U.C. No. 4, as specifically 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

Fredrick B. Hallock

William L. Bennett

Augustus

Commissioners

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.