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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) Miles Motor Transport System) tariff provisions resulting in) increases because of proposed) cancellation of certain specific) rate items.)

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Decision No.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 49535 (Filed July 11, 1967)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of Miles Motor Transport System (Miles), to cancel numerous rail competitive as well as other commodity rates which now apply on both regulated and non-regulated 1 commodities. Upon cancellation of these rates, the prevailing level of class or commodity rates published in other items of Miles Tariff No. 1 will apply on such traffic. Applicant proposes eventually to cancel Miles' present tariff in its entirety and, at that time, to transfer Miles' rates to various of applicant's bureau tariffs.

According to applicant, Miles Tariff No. 1 originally became effective October 8, 1952, almost 15 years ago. Since then, Miles has periodically published numerous rail competitive rates on a large variety of commodities. Such publications, applicant states, have resulted in numerous rates which, for various reasons, now apply on non-existent traffic or traffic which has been lost to competing carriers. Applicant alleges that little, if any,

¹ The present tariff published by Miles is its Local Freight Tariff No. 1, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (series of W. W. Miles, Pat L. Nolet and Ken D. Anderson, dba Motor Transport System), hereinafter referred to as Miles Tariff No. 1. The particular tariff items which are sought to be canceled by this application are specifically set forth in Appendix A and the proposed tariff supplement to accomplish such tariff changes is set forth in Appendix B, both attached to the application herein.

traffic has been transported by Miles under the rates involved herein.

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Since the rates proposed to be canceled are based on those involving rail competition as well as applying on commodities not subject to minimum rates prescribed by the Commission, applicant asserts that these rates are inclined to remain at a stationary level. For this reason, applicant declares that the continued publication of such obsolete rates poses a latent threat to future revenue requirements of the carrier involved and also results in unnecessary tariff publication and expense.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 12, 1967. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from cancellation of the rates as proposed in the application are justified and the rates involved may be canceled by issuance of a tariff supplement as requested. 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 rates published on behalf of Miles Motor Transport System as proposed in the application.

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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 granted herein 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 $\underline{67}$ day of September, 1967.

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Commissioners