

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 73160

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff	)	
Bureau, Inc., Agent, under the	)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket	)	Shortened Procedure
to publish for and on behalf of	)	Tariff Docket
Smith Transportation Co. and Rams	)	Application No. 49553
Express tariff provisions resulting	)	(Filed July 20, 1967)
in increases due to the cancellation	)	
of joint rate provisions between the	)	
two companies.	)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Smith Transportation Co. and Rams Express, to cancel all joint rates currently in effect between these two carriers from its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

Applicant alleges that, though there was a need for joint rates between the above carriers at one time, these carriers have since established joint rates with other carriers, whose operational procedures have been more suitable to them. According to applicant, a check of the joint-rate arrangement in question indicates that no traffic has been interchanged thereunder for a considerable length of time. Applicant avers that the continued publication of these joint rates is unnecessary and that the public interest would best be served by canceling such unused rates.

Applicant states that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of any of the carriers involved by as much as one percent.

The application was listed in the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 21, 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 the cancellation of joint 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:

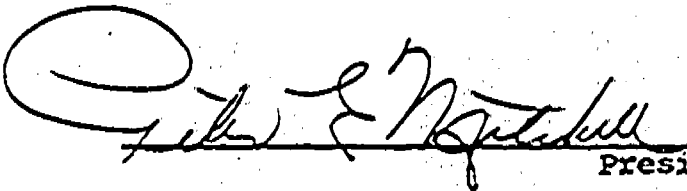
1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized, on behalf of Smith Transportation Co. and Rams Express, to cancel joint rates from its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, as proposed in the application.

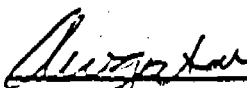
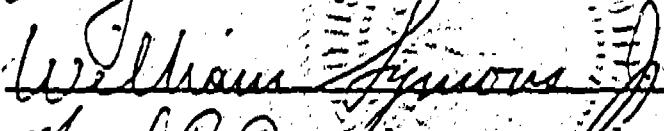
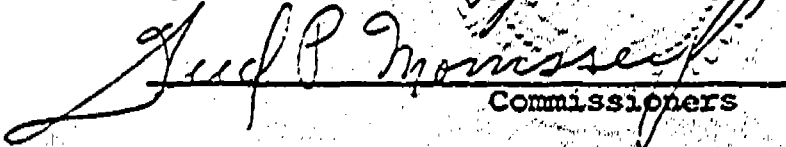
2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than thirty days after the effective date of this order on not less than thirty days' notice to the Commission and to the 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 1967.

  
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President

  
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Commissioners

Commissioner William M. Bennett, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.