

Decision No. 73603

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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 Cargo Carriers,)
 Inc., M and M Transfer Company and)
 Paxton Trucking Company tariff pro-)
 visions resulting in increases be-)
 cause of proposed changes in rates)
 in connection with low-bed rates)
 and charges for accessorial services)
 in connection therewith.)

Shortened Procedure
 Tariff Docket
 Application No. 49757
 (Filed October 26, 1967)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority on behalf of Cargo Carriers, Inc., M and M Transfer Company and Paxton Trucking Company to publish increased hourly rates and accessorial charges for the transportation of property of unusual size, weight or handling characteristics, which require the use of, and are transported on, low-bed equipment.¹

Applicant proposes to increase the straight time and overtime rates for the above transportation by 50 cents per hour. The same increase in straight and overtime hourly rates is sought when help in addition to the driver is requested to be furnished by the carrier.² Applicant also proposes to increase, from 7½ cents

¹ The rates and accessorial charges involved are published in Items Nos. 7430, 7470 and 7480 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

² Such additional help includes the furnishing of job superintendent; teamster or working foreman; dry freight, machinery or teamster helpers; and machinery movers.

to 9½ cents per 100 pounds, the additional charge which applies when the carrier is required to furnish a low-bed dolly in addition to its regular low-bed equipment to accommodate shipments of lengthy articles. The increased rates and charges proposed herein are set forth in detail in Exhibits A-1, A-2 and A-3 attached to the application.

Applicant states that the handling of shipments on low-bed equipment and the special accessorial services require the use of extremely specialized equipment as well as highly trained personnel. Applicant alleges that since June 14, 1967, when the rates and charges involved in this proposal were last adjusted, a considerable increase in labor and other costs has occurred in connection with specialized transportation services.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 27, 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 publication of rates and charges as specifically 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 publish, on behalf of Cargo Carriers, Inc., M and M Transfer Company, and Paxton Trucking Company, increased rates and

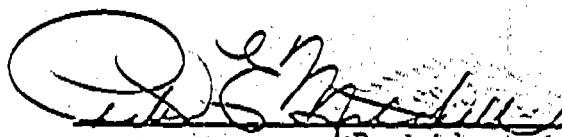
charges in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express
Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, for the transportation of
property on low-bed equipment as specifically proposed in the
application.

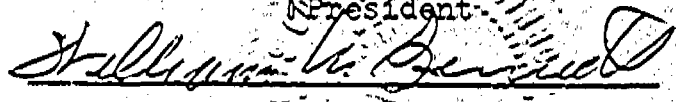
2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result
of the order herein shall be filed not earlier than the effective
date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than
thirty days after the effective date of this order on not less
than thirty days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

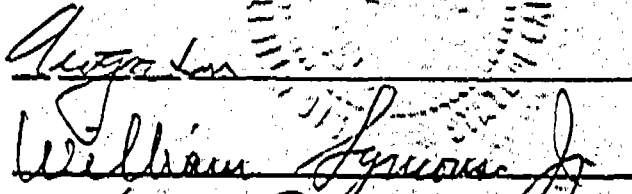
3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless
exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this
order.

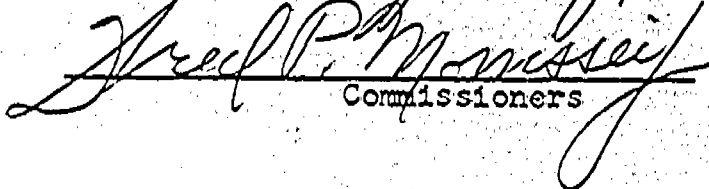
This order shall become effective twenty days after the
date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of
January, 1968.



President






Commissioners