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Decision No. 73880

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application of Leland C. Smith, Agent, Pacific Motor'Tariff Bureau, Inc., under the Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket to publish provisions resulting in increases due to proposed increases in transportation rates.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 49930 (Filed January 9, 1958) (Amended January 17, 1963)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, as amended, Leland C. Smith, Agent, Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. (PMTB) seeks, for and on behalf of Morris Draying Company (Morris), to substitute class rates based on an exception rating of 92½ percent of 5th class, minimum weight 42,000 pounds, for specific commodity rates on petroleum and petroleum products from Metropolitan Zone 108 (Richmond and vicinity) to Red 1 Bluff and Redding. The proposal will result in increases in rates.

Applicant states that Morris first published commodity rates for the transportation in question 2 cents per 100 pounds above the minimum rate level in October of 1965 in Tariff No. 8-A but that two class rate increases have been authorized by the Commission since that date and such rates are now on the minimum rate level. Applicant avers that the running costs at present levels exceed the revenue derived from the current rate to Redding and, when overhead expenses are included in the costs, the revenue accruing under the rate to Red Bluff will not cover such costs. Applicant doclares that the sought exception rating is needed to enable Morris to perform the aforementioned transportation on a compensatory basis.

The current rates are set forth in Item 1702 of PMTB Tariff No. 8-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (Tariff No. 8-A). Applicant states that the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of Morris by as much as one percent.

The application and amendment thereto were listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of January 10 and 18, 1968, respectively. Applicant asserts that the sought increase in rates has been discussed with the shipper involved and that the shipper does not object. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from publication of the exception rating 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. Leland C. Smith, Agent, is authorized, on behalf of Morris Draying Company, to cancel rates from Pacific Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Tariff No. 8-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1, and, in lieu thereof, to publish an exception rating in said tariff 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.

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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 <u>1970</u> day of March, 1968.

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