

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 73975

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation )  
into the rates, rules, regulations, )  
charges, allowances and practices )  
of all common carriers, highway )  
carriers and city carriers relating )  
to the transportation of any and all )  
commodities between and within all )  
points and places in the State of )  
California (including, but not )  
limited to, transportation for which )  
rates are provided in Minimum Rate )  
Tariff No. 2). )

Case No. 5432

And related matters. )

Cases Nos. 5435, 5439 and  
5441 )

ORDER SETTING HEARING

By Application No. 50030, filed February 20, 1968, and amendment thereto filed February 26, 1968, United Parcel Service, Inc., seeks authority to increase by 5 cents per package the parcel delivery rates provided in Item No. 120-A, Local Parcel Tariff, Cal.P.U.C. No. 17 for the transportation of parcel delivery shipments between points in California.

Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 published by the Commission contains provisions for the alternative application of common carrier rates which may be applied in lieu of the minimum rates when such common carrier rates produce a lower aggregate charge for the same transportation than results from the application of the

minimum rates. Certain common carriers publish rates on the United Parcel level.

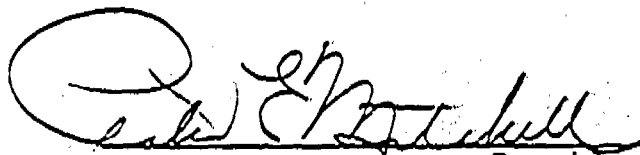
City Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A and Minimum Rate Tariffs Nos. 1-B, 5 and 9-B, respectively, set forth, among other things, minimum rates for the transportation of parcel delivery shipments by city carriers within the San Francisco Drayage Area and city and highway permit carriers within the East Bay, Los Angeles and San Diego Drayage Areas. The parcel rates named in the local drayage tariffs have been maintained on a competitive basis with United Parcel.

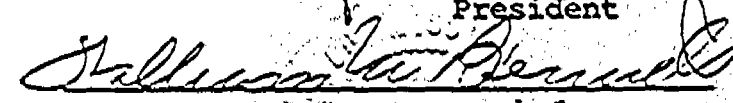
In the circumstances, it appears that hearings in the several minimum rate investigation cases should be held with the hearings in Application No. 50030 for the purpose of determining to what extent the minimum rate tariffs should be modified. Also, to determine whether common carriers maintaining rates on a competitive basis with United Parcel rates and below the specific minimum rate levels otherwise applicable, should be authorized and directed to increase such rates to the level of United Parcel rates established pursuant to decision in said Application No. 50030, or to the level of the specific minimum rates, whichever is lower.

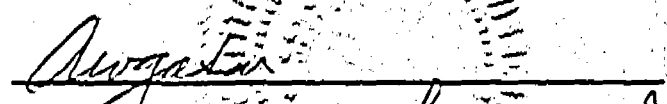
Good cause appearing,

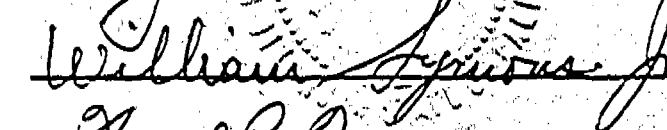
IT IS ORDERED that hearings in these proceedings be held concurrently with hearings in Application No. 50030 before Examiner Thompson on May 8, 1968, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Courtroom, San Francisco.

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

  
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President

  
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William L. Bennett Jr.

  
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Commissioners