

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 74561

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 O.N.C. Motor)	Shortened Procedure
Freight System, So-Cal Motor Freight)	Tariff Docket
and Southern California Freight For-)	Application No. 50344
warders, tariff provisions resulting)	(Filed June 25, 1968)
in increases because of the proposed)	
increases in certain rates for the)	
transportation of fresh fruits and)	
vegetables.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., for and on behalf of O.N.C. Motor Freight System, So-Cal Motor Freight and Southern California Freight Forwarders, seeks authority to publish increases in their minimum charges applicable to multiple shipments of fresh fruits and vegetables from points within a radius of 25 air miles of Indio to points on the lines of said carriers.¹ The specific charges proposed to be published by applicant for such shipments are set forth in Appendix A attached to the application.²

Applicant states that the minimum charges involved had been canceled several years ago but were re-established at the specific request of the date growers with the understanding that periodic

¹ The proposed minimum charges are to be published in Item 5750 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint, and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, hereinafter referred to as Tariff No. 111.

² Applicant subsequently amended its application by letter stating that the proposed charges shown in said appendix would not be made subject to the surcharge of four percent currently provided in connection with such charges in Supplement No. 19 to Tariff No. 111.

increases would be necessary when warranted by the circumstances. Applicant avers that the sought increases are required to offset increases in the carriers' labor and other operating costs. Applicant declares that the proposed charges would enable the carriers to transport the aforementioned multiple shipments on a compensatory basis.

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

O.N.C. Motor Freight System has informed the Commission by letter that interested parties were notified concerning this rate proposal. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 26, 1968. 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 charges as proposed in the application, as amended, are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application, as amended, should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized to publish in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, on behalf of O.N.C. Motor Freight System, So-Cal Motor Freight and Southern California Freight Forwarders, increased minimum charges for the transportation of multiple shipments of fruits and vegetables as specifically proposed in the application, as amended.

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 20th day of August, 1968.

William J. Quinn President
John P. Mitchell
William W. Bennett
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Commissioners

Commissioner Fred P. Morrissey, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.