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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket to publish for and on behalf of Di Salvo Trucking Co. tariff provisions resulting in increases because of the proposed adjustment of certain specific rail competitive rates.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 50457 (Filed August 5, 1968)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Di Salvo Trucking Co., to amend one of its tariffs by providing that loading and/or unloading charges shall apply in connection with 50,000-pound shipments of soap and other articles regardless of how loading or unloading was performed.¹

Applicant alleges that the proposed publication is to correct an error in publication that occurred when higher loading and/or unloading charges were made to apply on shipments of 80,000 pounds. Applicant contends it was intended that these higher charges should also have been applied to shipments of 50,000 pounds regardless of how loading or unloading was performed, but this was overlooked.

Applicant avers that soap generally moves with other articles, which are named in the items involved, and some of these

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¹ The rates in question are set forth in Item Nos. 1615 and 5410 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, California Common Carrier Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff No. 11, Cal.P.U.C. No. 5. Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent.

articles being shipped with soap have the ability to be palletized while others do not. According to applicant, as a result, considerable confusion exists with various shippers using the rates in question as to what loading and/or unloading charges are applicable. Applicant asserts that in making the subject charges mandatory in all circumstances it will remove the question of applicability, result in tariff simplification and reduce carriershipper disagreement.

Applicant states that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of Di Salvo Trucking Co. by as much as one percent.

Applicant further states that, to its knowledge, the proposed publication will not be opposed by any shipper. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 6, 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 publication of the loading and/or unloading charges 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 to publish in its California Common Carrier Motor Freight Local and Joint Tariff No. 11, Cal.P.U.C. No. 5, Interstate Freight Carriers Conference, Inc., Agent, Series, on behalf of Di Salvo Trucking Co., increases in loading and/or unloading charges as specifically proposed in the application.

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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 <u>day</u> of October, 1968.