Decision No. 75206

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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 and highway
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

CRDER SETTING HEARING

By Application No. 50760, filed December 19, 1968, United Parcel Service, Inc., seeks authority to increase by 3 cents per package the parcel delivery rates provided in Item No. 120-B of 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 this 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 would result from the application of the minimum rates. Certain common carriers publish rates at the level of rates published by United Parcel Service, Inc.

Minimum Rate Tariffs Nos. 1-B, 5, 9-B, and 19, respectively, set forth, among other things, minimum rates for the transportation of parcel delivery shipments within the San Francisco, the East Bay, Los Angeles and San Diego Drayage Areas. The parcel delivery rates named in the local drayage tariffs have been maintained on a competitive basis with the rates

of United Parcel Service, Inc.

In these circumstances it appears that hearings should be held in the several minimum rate investigation cases concurrently with the hearings to be conducted in Application No. 50760 for the purpose of determining to what extent the minimum rate tariffs should be modified. It should be determined whether common carriers, which maintain rates on a competitive basis with United Parcel Service rates which are below the specific minimum rate levels otherwise applicable, should be authorized and directed to increase such rates to the level of the United Parcel Service rates established pursuant to decision in Application No. 50760, 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. 50760 before Examiner Thompson at a time and place to be determined.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this Zee day of January, 1969.

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Commissioners

Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.