

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 75414

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 Citizens Transportation Co. of Riverside, certain cancellations of rates covering low-bed equipment, and the re-publication of said rates in a separate tariff covering low-bed equipment only.)	Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 50796 (Filed January 3, 1969)
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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Citizens Transportation Co. of Riverside (Citizens), to cancel from one of its tariffs the participation of Citizens in certain class rates and hourly rates for the transportation of property in low-bed equipment and, in lieu thereof, to publish increased hourly rates for such transportation in an individual tariff of Citizens.¹

Applicant states that the shippers and the carrier have found it difficult to determine the current rates for the above transportation since they are published in several different sections of Tariff No. 111 and class rates apply in some instances and hourly rates in other instances. Applicant avers that the proposed hourly rates for all of the transportation services involved would eliminate such difficulties.

¹ The current class and hourly rates are set forth in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15 (Tariff No. 111). The proposed hourly rates are set forth in Exhibit A-1 of the application.

Applicant declares that the aforementioned transportation is exempt from the application of the rates named in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2² and contends that the assessment of charges based on class rates, which apply to shipments of ordinary freight, are not realistic for the highly specialized services involved. Applicant alleges that the proposed hourly rates are the same as or higher than the hourly rates set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 5.³

Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of Citizens by as much as one per cent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of January 6, 1969. 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 cancellation of rates and publication of other rates in lieu thereof as specifically 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, on behalf of Citizens Transportation Co. of Riverside, to cancel certain rates from its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight

² See Item No. 40 of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2.

³ These hourly rates apply to the transportation of property between and within Los Angeles and Orange Counties and they apply only when the shipper enters into a written agreement with the carrier to use such rates.

and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15 and to publish rates, in lieu thereof, in an individual tariff of Citizens Transportation Co. of Riverside, 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.

3. The effective date of the tariff publications canceling the rates as authorized in Ordering Paragraph 1 shall be concurrent with the effective date of the tariff publications establishing rates in lieu thereof as authorized in said Ordering Paragraph 1.

4. 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 11th day of March, 1969.

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