

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 75707

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 )	Shortened Procedure
Aztec Transportation Co., Inc. and Harding's )	Tariff Docket
Freight Service tariff provisions resulting )	Application No. 50984
in increases because of the cancellation of )	(Filed April 2, 1969)
certain parcel rate provisions. )	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority on behalf of Aztec Transportation Co., Inc. (Aztec) and Harding's Freight Service (Harding) to cancel parcel rates for the transportation of property between points within the San Diego Drayage Area.<sup>1</sup> Upon cancellation of the rates as proposed, higher parcel rates would apply as set forth in the carriers' individual tariffs.<sup>2</sup>

Applicant states that the rates published in the carriers' individual tariffs apply to a much broader area than that encompassed in the San Diego Drayage Area as defined by the Commission in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 9-B. Applicant alleges that a billing problem exists when shipments are destined to points in the San Diego Drayage Area and to points beyond said area due to the difference in rates to such areas.

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<sup>1</sup> The current rates are published in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 104-A, Cal. P.U.C. No. 23.

<sup>2</sup> The tariffs are Aztec Local Parcel Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 3, and Harding's Freight Service Local Parcel Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1.

Applicant avers that this difference in rates amounts to only one cent per pound as all of the governing provisions are substantially the same. Applicant declares that the sought revision in rates would create uniformity in the billing of parcels by both Aztec and Harding to all points to which they offer parcel service and that the uniform application of parcel rates would be a convenience to both shippers and the carriers involved.

Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of either Aztec or Harding by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of April 4, 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 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:

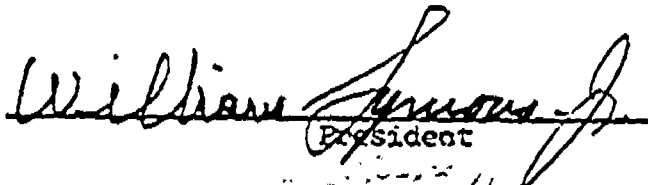
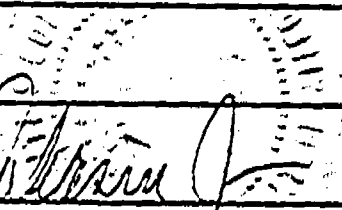
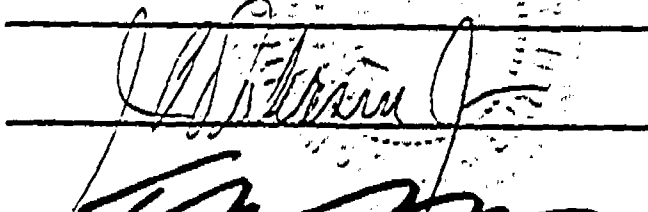
1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized, on behalf of Aztec Transportation Co., Inc. and Harding's Freight Service, to cancel and publish rates as proposed in the application.

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 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 Los Angeles, California, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1969.

  
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President  
  
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Commissioners

Commissioner A. W. Gatev, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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