

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 75878

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 )	Shortened Procedure
for and on behalf of certain of its )	Tariff Docket
participating carriers tariff pro- )	Application No. 50995.
visions resulting in increases )	(Filed April 9, 1969)
because of the publication of a new )	
rule pertaining to the application )	
of rates in connection with pickups )	
and deliveries at residences. )	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, for and on behalf of various carriers participating in one of its tariffs, to publish a rule providing for the assessment of an additional rate and minimum charge for pickup or delivery service at a residence.<sup>1</sup>

Applicant states that the carriers have, for many years, picked up shipments at residences and/or delivered shipments to residences but that such shipments have only been incidental to their ordinary operations as highway common carriers. Applicant alleges that the carriers have found from experience that the transportation to and from residences of merchandise, which is not for use in the furtherance of an industrial or commercial enterprise, has not been compensatory. Applicant declares that the carriers

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<sup>1</sup> The tariff is Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15. The rule would provide for an additional rate of 25 cents per 100 pounds, minimum charge \$1.25, for pickup service at, or delivery service to, a residence when the merchandise transported from or to such residence is not used for the furtherance of an industrial or commercial enterprise.

expend abnormal waiting time in performing the aforementioned transportation services as the involved shippers and receivers are not equipped to tender shipments to, or receive shipments from, them.

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

According to applicant, the proposed rate and minimum charge were formally considered at a meeting of its statewide General Commodity Standing Rate Committee under Docket No. 2098 and its proposal and the Committee's action thereon were circularized to interested parties. Applicant avers that there has been no opposition on the part of either carriers or shippers to the establishment of the proposed rate and minimum charge.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of April 10, 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 publication of the rate and minimum charge as specifically proposed in the application are justified. 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 Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, on behalf of all carriers participating therein, the additional rate and minimum charge 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 San Francisco, California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1969.

William Synovis, Jr.  
President

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Commissioners

*I dissent & would  
require a public  
hearing*

*Fred O. Mossing*