

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 75993

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 System 99, Operator of Lom Thompson, D.B.A., Thompson Truck Lines, tariff provisions resulting in increases because of the proposed amendment of a specific commodity rate item.)	
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)	Shortened Procedure
)	Tariff Docket
)	Application No. 51129
)	(Filed June 2, 1969)
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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., on behalf of System 99, Operator of Lom Thompson, doing business as Thompson Truck Lines (System 99), seeks authority to:

- (1) cancel rates on certain commodities from Los Angeles to Coachella Valley and Imperial Valley Territories; (2) cancel the 36,000-pound rates on fresh fruits and vegetables from Imperial Valley Territory to Los Angeles Territory and sacked carrots from Coachella Valley Territory to Los Angeles; and (3) increase from 30,000 pounds to 40,000 pounds the minimum weight governing the rates on certain commodities from Coachella Valley and Imperial Valley Territories to Los Angeles.¹

Applicant states that the transportation in question is exempt from the Commission's established minimum rates and that the carrier's rates for such transportation, when based on minimum weights of 30,000 pounds or less, are depressed to the extent that they only offset running

¹ The rates are set forth in Item No. 4635 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15. The commodities are fresh or green fruits and vegetables, agricultural fungicides and insecticides, fertilizers and sulphur.

costs of equipment. Applicant avers that the carrier has apprised the one known shipper of the rate revisions proposed herein and that the shipper has no objection to such revisions. Applicant declares that there has been no movement from the outlying territories to Los Angeles Territory under the 36,000-pound rates for a considerable period of time and alleges that the proposed increase in the minimum weight from 30,000 to 40,000 pounds for movements in the inbound direction is necessary to obtain better utilization of the carrier's modern equipment.

Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of System 99 by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 3, 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 cancellation and revision of the rates 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., Agent, is hereby authorized, on behalf of System 99, Operator of Lom Thompson, doing business as Thompson Truck Lines, to cancel and revise rates in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, 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 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 5th day of August, 1969.

William Symons, Jr.
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Commissioners