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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 its participat-)
ing carriers tariff provisions)
resulting in increases because of)
proposed changes in exception ratings)
on Pillows and related articles.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 51100 (Filed May 23, 1969)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., on behalf of various carriers seeks authority to cancel a restriction in one of its tariffs governing certain exception ratings. As restricted, these higher exception ratings apply on pillows or cushions, which are one inch or less in thickness. Under this proposal, the higher exception ratings would apply on all pillows or cushions regardless of their size.

Applicant states that the ratings in question had also been maintained by the carriers as exception ratings on pillows or cushions over one inch in thickness but that they were cancelled in the interest of tariff simplification when it was discovered that such ratings were the same as those set forth in National Motor Freight Classification A-7 (CAL)

Ratings of Class 200 and 200 percent of Class 85, less truckload and Class 100, truckload, minimum weight 10,000 pounds, are set forth in Item No. 2680 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Exception Sheet No. 1-A, Cal.P.U.C. No. 18, on pillows and cushions, one inch or less in thickness determined from dimensions as packaged.

and not exceptions thereto. Applicant contends that the ratings on pillows or cushions over one inch in thickness were reduced when National Motor Freight Classification A-10 was adopted as the governing classification on California intrastate traffic. Applicant alleges that its proposal would restore to the carriers involved the higher ratings that were in effect prior to the aforementioned change in the classification rating.

Applicant declares that the sought authority was the subject of its Docket No. 2108 and that the matter was considered at a meeting of its General Commodity Standing Rate Committee on April 9, 1969. Applicant avers that circularization of the proposed publication was made to interested shippers and carriers and that no opposition was expressed on the part of either shippers or carriers to the proposed exception ratings.

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.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of May 26, 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 proposal herein 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 certain carriers participating in its Exception Sheet No. 1-A,

²See Decision No. 74310 dated July 15, 1968, in Cases Nos. 5432 (Order Setting Hearing August 31, 1965) and 7858 (Order Setting Hearing October 5, 1965)

Cal.P.U.C. No. 18, to amend such tariff 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 ______ day of August, 1969.

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