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Decision No. <u>76735</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation) into the rates, rules, regulations,) charges, allowances and practices of) all household goods carriers, common) carriers, highway carriers, and city) carriers, relating to the transportation of used household goods and) related property.

Case No. 5330 Petition for Modification No. 42 (Filed August 28, 1969)

Knapp, Gill, Hibbert and Stevens, by Wyman C. Knapp and Warren N. Grossman; and Charles A. Woelfel, for California Moving & Storage Association, petitioner.
John T. Reed, for California Manufacturers Association; and Tad Muraoka, for IBM Corporation, interested parties.
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E. H. Burgess, H. E. Frank and Robert W. Stich, for the Commission staff.

$\underline{O P I N I O N}$

California Moving & Storage Association, Inc. seeks increases in the distance rates, piece rates and accessorial charges set forth in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 4-B (MRT 4-B) for the transportation of uncrated household goods and personal effects. Petitioner alleges that carriers will incur increased operating costs from

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renegotiated wage contracts and/or increase provisions in existing wage contracts which have become effective since the rates were last adjusted pursuant to Decision No. 73934, dated April 2, 1968 in Case No. 5330, Petition No. 34. Petitioner asserts that the increases in minimum rates proposed in this petition are necessary to restore said rates to a reasonable and compensatory level.

Public hearing was held by Examiner Mallory at San Francisco on November 5 and 6 and December 2 and 3, 1969, and the matter was submitted. Evidence was presented by representatives of petitioner and of the Commission staff. Other interested parties assisted in the development of the record.

The evidence shows that the last adjustment of the distance rates in MRT 4-B reflects wages and allied costs as of April 1, 1968 and that costs of operation of household goods carriers have increased because of increased wages and related payroll costs effective subsequent thereto. The increases in distance costs as calculated by petitioner's witness range from 5.04 to 9.47 percent, depending upon the shipment weight, length of haul, and region of the state in which the transportation service is performed. The corresponding increases in costs developed by the Commission staff engineer range from 5.6 to 7.3 percent.

Both petitioner's witness and the Commission staff rate expert recommended that minimum rates be increased by the same percentage as the corresponding percentage increases in costs as measured in the cost studies presented herein (the so-called "offset" method of adjusting minimum rates).

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^{1/} The evidence presented on behalf of petitioner reflects wage costs as of July 1, 1969. The evidence submitted by the staff reflects wage costs as of October 1, 1969.

The only material issue in this proceeding is the method to be followed in developing the cost data which will be used as the measure of the rate increases needed to restore the minimum rates to a reasonable level. Decision No. 76353, dated October 28, 1969, in Case No. 5432, Petition No. 523, and several other related minimum rate proceedings (none of which involve household goods) was concerned with the appropriate methods of developing the cost information for use in an "offset" proceeding such as the proceeding herein. Decision No. 76353 reads, in part, as follows:

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"The changes which occur in direct costs are readily measurable and present no real problem when developing a revised estimate of total direct costs for subsequent use as part of a percentage datum plane cost offset rate adjustment. The real difficulty in a cost offset adjustment in rates is how to reflect changes in cost factors that have been treated cumulatively as indirect expense ratios or percentages of gross revenue in the original full-scale cost presentation. In the past, changes in indirect expenses have been reflected in cost offset proceedings by the following methods:

- "1. <u>Wage (Cost) Offset</u>: Indirect expense ratios established in the original full-scale cost study are applied to the up-dated direct costs determined for the wage offset adjustment. This method assumes that indirect expense items have, or will, increase proportionately with direct costs.
- "2. <u>Wage Offset</u>: The percentage increase in direct labor is multiplied by the percentage of salaries and wages included in the indirect expenses of the original full-scale cost study and the resulting factor is applied to the dollar amount of indirect expenses included in the original cost presentation. This method assumes that only those expenses included in the indirect expense ratios related to salaries and wages will increase proportionately with the increases in direct labor costs.
- "3. <u>Direct Wage Offset</u>: Indirect expenses are held constant and no allowance for changes in indirects is made in the cost offset adjustment in rates.

"Gross revenue expenses are expressed as a percentage of total revenue. The percentage factors are generally utilized in cost offset proceedings in conjunction with the adjusted total direct and indirect expenses." •

Petitioner's witness adopted the "Wage (Cost) Offset" method described above in the development of the cost changes set forth in his study presented herein. The staff engineer adopted the "Wage Offset" method in his study.

Petitioner urges that criteria set forth in Decision No. 76353 support the use of the "Wage Cost Offset" method; the Commission staff urges that such criteria support the use of the "Wage Offset" method under the circumstances presented herein.

Decision No. 76353 contains the following discussion:

"Since the accuracy and reliability of cost offsets are highest when conducted within the proximity of the original cost and rate presentations, the precise method or mechanics for developing a cost offset at a given period of time might well vary according to the conditions and circumstances surrounding the transportation involved. Initially, the wage (cost) offset method ... might well prove to be completely satisfactory. However, as successive cost offsets are employed with the passing of time and the likelihood that new full-scale studies may be in the offing, the more restrictive wage offset method ... or the direct cost offset procedure ... may be the only appropriate methods to employ. The ultimate burden of proof as to the proper cost offset method to use in any given situation should rest, in the first instance, with the party presenting the cost offset rate proposal. The Commission should not rigidly harness itself to any single cost offset procedure for adjusting its minimum rates and thereby preclude the presentation of evidence in justification of other desired cost offset proposals."

In applying the foregoing criteria the Commission, in Decision No. 76353, adopted the "Wage (Cost) Offset" method in connection with Minimum Rate Tariff No. 2 (MRT 2) and the "Wage Offset" method with respect to adjustments of Minimum Rate Tariff No. 1-B (MRT 1-B) and Minimum Rate Tariff 19 (MRT 19).

2/ MRT 2 applies to the transportation of general commodities statewide; MRT 1-B applies to transportation of general commodities within seven East Bay communities; MRT 19 applies to the transportation of general commodities in San Francisco. C.5330 - Pet. 42 HW

The Commission staff engineer premised his use of the "Wage Offset" method upon two principal factors; the first is that approximately the same period of time has elapsed since development of the full-scale cost study for distance household goods rates as for the development of the last full-scale studies underlying the rates in MRT 1-B and MRT 19; the second is that the method followed in his study has been used in prior staff studies involving offset adjustments of household goods distance rates, and said studies have been adopted by the Commission as the basis for prior rate adjustments.

Petitioner points out that the last full-scale cost study adopted by the Commission as reasonable for the purpose of adjusting the rates in MRT 2 is approximately the same age as the last fullscale cost studies introduced in proceedings involving MRT 1-B and MRT 19. Other than to point out this anomaly, petitioner presented no specific showing in support of the method adopted by its witness for development of its cost evidence.

Discussion

As heretofore indicated the only material issue to be resolved herein is a determination of which of the cost methods described in Decision No. 76353 is appropriate in this proceeding. That decision indicates (in Conclusion 1) that:

"Interested parties have the right to come before this Commission and the subsequent responsibility to assume the burden of proof as to any alleged changes in the cost factors underlying the established minimum rates; and, in the light of such alleged changes, recommend remedial cost offset minimum rate adjustments." (Underscoring supplied.)

Petitioner has not assumed that burden except to point out $\frac{3}{}$ what appears to be an anomaly in Decision No. 76353. The most

^{3/} The record herein does not contain the data necessary to resolve the apparent anomaly concerning MRT 2 and MRTs 1-B and 19.

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persuasive reason advanced by the staff for the adoption herein of the method advocated by it is that said method was found reasonable for prior adjustments of household goods distance rates. No reasons have been presented to substitute a different method for adjusting distance household goods rates for the method heretofore found reasonable. Therefore, the Commission finds:

1. Effective October 1, 1969, household goods carriers subject to the minimum rates in MRT 4-B incurred increased costs of operation, which are not reflected in said minimum rates.

2. The minimum distance rates, piece rates and accessorial charges set forth in MRT 4-B should be adjusted to reflect such increased costs of operation.

3. The petitioner herein and the Commission staff recommend that said rates be adjusted by the same percentages as the corresponding costs have increased since the rates were last adjusted. Such method is termed an offset rate adjustment.

4. Decision No. 76353 (supra) sets forth three methods of developing cost studies in offset proceedings of this type. It will be reasonable and appropriate to use the "Wage Offset" method in adjusting the distance and piece moving rates and related accessorial charges in MRT 4-B.

5. The Commission staff cost study introduced herein is constructed upon the cost finding method found appropriate in Finding 4, and should serve as the basis for the rate adjustments herein.

6. The increases set forth in the staff rate exhibit are justified and will result in just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory minimum rates for the services to which they apply.

The Commission concludes that Minimum Rate Tariff No. 4-B should be amended as provided by the order which follows.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Minimum Rate Tariff No. 4-B (Appendix C of Decision No. 65521, as amended) is further amended by incorporating therein, to become effective March 14, 1970, the revised tariff pages attached hereto and listed in Appendix A, also attached hereto, which pages and appendix are made a part hereof.

2. In all other respects the aforesaid Decision No. 65521, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

3. Except as provided in ordering paragraph 1 hereof, Petition for Modification No. 42 is hereby denied.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty-four days after the date hereof.

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

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SECTION 1--RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued) ITEM MIXED SHIPMENTS When one or more commodities for which rates are not provided in this tariff are (a) (a) When one or more commodities for which rates are not provided in this tariff are included in the same shipment with commodities for which rates are herein provided, the rate or rates applicable to the entire shipment may be determined as though all of the commodities were ratable under the provisions of this tariff at the combined weight of the mixed shipment; or the commodities for which rates are provided in this tariff may be transported at the applicable rates provided herein, and the commodities for which rates are not provided herein, at the rates provided in other Commission tariffs or which might be otherwise applicable, provided separate weights or other authorized units of measurement are furnished or obtained. In the ovent that the latter basis is used, the minimum charges provided in this tariff shall apply to the entire shipment. 65 (b) When any uncrated portion of a shipment of commodities for which rates are herein provided requires protection against damage after receipt thereof by the carrier and such protection is afforded by the carrier by packing such uncrated portion of the shipment in containers, such portion so packed shall be rated as uncrated property. APPLICATION OF RATES (a) Rates provided in Items 300, 320, 330 and 340 are for the transportation of ship-ments from point of origin to point of destination, from point of origin to point of storage-in-transit, or from point of storage-in-transit to point of destination, and include pickup and delivery, subject to Item 75. (b) For transportation of shipments for distances of 50 miles or less, rates shall apply in cents per hour (See Note), in cents per piece, or in cents per 100 pounds (Items 300, 320, 330 and 340), subject to Items 145, 150 and 155. (c) For transportation in excess of 50 miles, rates in Items 300 and 320 shall apply, subject to Item 55. 70 (d) Rate in Item 350 shall apply for the accessorial services of packing and unpack-ing in the territory in which the service is performed. (e) Item 360 provides rates for transportation of empty shipping containers and a basis of charges for the furnishing of shipping containers and packing materials by the carrier. NOTE .- The highest rated territory in or through which any service is performed shall determine the applicable hourly rate. PICKUP AND/OR DELIVERY AT OTHER THAN GROUND FLOOR When shipments are picked up or delivered, or both, at other than ground floor, the following additional charges per pickup or delivery per flight, shall be assessed: ø75 1. At hourly rates (Item 330) -- No additional charge. 2. At piece rates (Item 340) 095 cents per piece. 3. At distance rates (Items 300 and 320) 027 cents per 100 pounds. of Change) Decision No. 76735 EFFECTIVE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. Correction 117 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. -9-

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SECTION 1RULES AND RECULATIONS (Continued)	ITEM				
VALUATION					
(a) Carriers shall secure and shippers are required to state specifically in writing the agreed or declared value of the property to be transported. The agreed or declared value shall be deemed to relate to all services undertaken by the carrier or its agents and to each article separately and not to a shipment as a whole. Except on shipments transported under hourly rates, shippers may declare on specific articles when the separate weights thereof are furnished or obtained, a valuation in excess of the value declared on the shipment as a whole, and each such article must be described and its excess declared value set forth.	80				
(b) Declaration of value shall be set forth in the following form: "The agreed or delcared value of the property to be transported is hereby specifically stated by the shipper to be not in excess ofé per pound, per article."					
(c) Property of agreed or declared value in excess of sixty cents per pound shall be subject to rates computed on the basis provided in Note 1.]				
NOTE 1When declared value exceeds sixty cents per pound, add 100% to rates provided in this tariff.					
DISPOSITION OF FRACTIONS					
In computing a rate based on a percentage of another rate, the following rule shall be observed in the disposition of fractions:					
Fractions of less than 3 or .50 of a cent, omit. Fractions of 3 or .50 of a cent or greater, increase to next whole figure.	85				
DIVERTED SHIPMENTS					
Charges upon a shipment transported under rates provided in Items 300 or 320 which has been diverted shall be computed at the applicable rate in effect on date of shipment from point of origin via each point where diversion occurs to final destination, plus an additional charge of \$7.55 for each diversion.	\$90				
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DELAYS IN DELIVERY Whenever a carrier is unable to make delivery of a shipment of household goods on the date or during the period specified in the receipt or shipping order, the carrier shall notify the shipper, or person designated by the shipper, by telegram or telephone, at the carrier's expense, of the date on which delivery of the ship- ment will be made; such notification to be given not less then 24 hours prior to the date or during the period shown on the receipt of shipping order except when the circumstances causing the delay occur at a later time, in which case the notice shall be given as soon as possible but in no event more than 24 hours after the occurr- ence, provided, that the requirement of this paragraph shall not apply where the carrier is unable to obtain from the shipper an address or telephone number for such notification.	162
WAITING OR DELAY When vehicle is held for convenience of the shipper or consignee through no fault of the carrier in connection with shipments moving or to be moved under rates contained in Items 300 or 320, a charge at the hourly rates provided in Item 330 will be assessed for each hour or fraction thereof over one hour.	165
SPLIT PICKUP Split pickup service may be accorded subject to the following conditions: (1) The charge for the composite shipment shall be paid by one consignor, con- signee, or other interested party. (2) Split delivery service shall not be accorded. (3) In the event a lower aggregate charge results from treating one or more component parts as a separate shipment said charge may be applied. (4) Charges shall be computed as follows: (a) Under hourly rates (Item 330). Apply applicable rate for the total time consumed in loading at the point of origin of each component part, and unloading at point of destination, plus double the driving time between each such point. (Total time shall be converted into hours and/or fractions thereof in accordance with the provisions of Item 95.) (b) Under distance rates (Items 300 and 320). Apply the applicable rate to the total weight of the composite shipment for the distance from point of origin of any component part to point of destination via the points of origin of all other component parts, plus an additional charge of \$16.60 for each atop to load between first point of origin and point of destination.	≎170
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SPLIT DELIVERY Split delivery service may be accorded subject to the following conditions: (1) The charge for the composite shipment shall be paid by one consignor, consignee, or other interested party. (2) Split pickup service shall not be accorded. (3) In the event a lower aggregate charge results from treating one or more component parts as a separate shipment said charge may be applied. (4) Charges shall be computed as follows: (a) Under hourly rates (Item 330). Apply applicable rate for the total time consumed in loading at point of origin and unloading at point. (Total time shall be converted into hours and/or fractions thereof in accordance with the provisions of Item 95.) (b) Under distance rates (Items 300 and 320). Apply the applicable rate for point of origin to point of destination of origin to point of the composite shipment for the distance from point of origin to point of destination of point of destination of any component part via the points of destination	0175
tion of all other component parts, plus an additional charge of \$16.60 for each stop to unload between point of origin and final point of destination.	
STORAGE IN TRANSIT (See Note 1) Shipments may be stored once in transit for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of unloading at storage point. (See Note 2) Charges shall be computed on the following basis: (a) The applicable transportation rate from initial point of origin to point of storage, plus (b) The applicable transportation rate from point of storage to point of destination, plus (c) Warehouse handling and storage charge of 078 cents per 100 pounds for each 30-day period or fraction thereof, subject to a minimum charge of 053.90 for each thirty-day period. NOTE 1On shipments subject to hourly rates both into and out of point of storage in transit the weight of the shipment for purposes of determining the storage space occupied by the shipment on the warehouse platform or in the warehouse by 7 pounds per cubic foot. NOTE 2In the event a shipment remains in storage in excess of 60 days, the point of storage in transit the hall be considered the point of destination and there- houseman. Charges for subsequent delivery shall be assessed on the basis of the charges applicable from point of storage to point of delivery.	\$180
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SECTION 3--RATES

DISTANCE RATES IN CENTS PER 100 POUNDS (1) (2) (3) (4)

Rates named in this item apply only to shipments transported between points located within Region 1. (See Note)

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SECTION 3--RATES (Continued)

DISTANCE RATES IN CENTS PER 100 POUNDS (1)(2)(3)(4)

Rates named in this item apply only to shipments transported between points located within Region 2; and between points located in Region 1, on the one hand, and points located in Region 2, on the other hand.

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ITEM SECTION 3--RATES (Continued) RATES IN CENTS PER HOUR (1)(2) (Applies for Distances of 50 Constructive Miles or Less) TERRITORY (3) A в ¢ Unit of Equipment: 1130 1950 590 1245 1120 330 (a) with driver . 2200 775 1945 615 See Item 70 for application of rates. See Item 95 for computation of time. See Item 210 for territorial descriptions. (2) (3)DISTANCE RATES IN CENTS PER PIECE (1)(2) (Applies to Shipments of Not More Than 5 Pieces for Distances of 50 Miles or Less) FIRST FIECE Each MILES (3) Addi-**\$340** tional NOT Over 10 Piece but Not Over 20 Over Over 10 20 1025 1905 2665 355 See Item 70 for application of rates. Rates in this item will not apply to split pickup or split delivery shipments, or storage in transit privileges. See Item 50 for computation of distances. (1) (2) (3) o Increase, Decision No. 76725 EFFECTIVE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Correction 123

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ITEM SECTION 3--RATES (Concluded) ACCESSORIAL RATES Rates in Cents per Man per Hour (1)(2)(3) TERRITORY (4) C λ в 350 Packing) Unpacking) 940 840 845 Minimum Charge-- the charge for one hour. See Item 70 for application of rates.
 See Item 95 for computation of time. (3) Rates do not include cost of materials. (See Item 360) (4) See Item 210 for description of territories. RATES AND CHARGES FOR PICKING UP OR DELIVERING SHIPPING CONTAINERS AND PACKING MATERIALS In the event new or used shipping containers, including wardrobes, are delivered by the carrier, its agent, or employees, prior to the time shipment is tendered for transportation, or such containers are picked 1. up by the carrier, its agents or employees subsequent to the time delivery is accomplished, the following transportation charges shall be assessed: (See Note 1) 170 cents - 170 cents - 790 cents Minimum charge, per delivery --(a) Shipping containers, including wardrobes (See Note 2) and packing materials which are furnished by the carrier at the request of the shipper will be charged for at not less than the actual original cost to the carrier of such materials, P.O.B. carrier's place of 2_ **0 360** business. (b) In the event such packing materials and shipping containers are returned to any carrier, participating in the transportation thereof when loaded, an allowance may be made to the consignee or his agent of not to exceed 75 percent of the charges assessed under the pro-visions of paragraph 2(a). NOTE 1.---If the hourly rates named in Item 330 provide a lower charge than the charge in paragraph 1 of this item such lower charge shall apply. NOTE 2. -- No charge will be assessed for wardrobes on shipments transported at the rates provided in Item 330. o Increase, Decision No. 76735 EFFECTIVE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Correction 124 -29-

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