

Decision No. 76870

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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 Associated)
Freight Lines and all other carriers)
as shown in Exhibit "A", tariff pro-)
visions resulting in an increase)
because of proposed restriction in)
connection with joint rates on)
temperature control service.)

Shortened Procedure
Tariff Docket
Application No. 51634
(Filed January 20, 1970)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Associated Freight Lines (Associated) and various other carriers, to cancel joint rates in one of its tariffs on shipments which require temperature control service.¹ These rates apply between points on the line of Associated, on the one hand, and points on the lines of the other carriers, on the other hand.

Applicant states that the records of Associated show that Associated has not interchanged any traffic with the other carriers under such rates and that there is no indication that the situation will change as other avenues are available to the public for the movement of shipments requiring temperature control service.

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The joint rates are published in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15. Fifty-four other carriers are listed in Exhibit "A" attached to the application.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of January 22, 1970. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

The Transportation Division staff has reviewed the application and recommends that it be granted by an ex parte order.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from cancellation of joint 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 Associated Freight Lines and the carriers listed in Exhibit "A" attached to the application, to cancel joint rates from its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, as specifically proposed in said 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 3rd day of March, 1970.

William J. Lyons, Jr.
President
Augustine
J. W. Brown
Thomas J. Brown
Vernon L. Sturgeon
Commissioners