

operational costs. Applicant declares that participation of Cartage in the proposed modified rule would enable the carrier to achieve better utilization of its equipment.

Applicant avers that the proposed rule amendment was formally considered at a meeting of its General Commodity Standing Rate Committee under Docket No. 2187 on October 8, 1969. Applicant states that circularization of the proposed tariff provisions was made to various carriers and shippers and that no opposition was registered by such parties to the proposal.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of February 19, 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 ex parte order.

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., Agent, is hereby authorized to cancel the participation of California Cartage Company from Item No. 395 of its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight & Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, and concurrently to publish, on behalf of the carriers participating in Item No. 296 of said tariff and California Cartage Company, a revised full-utilization-of-carrier-equipment rule 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 granted herein 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 14th day of April, 1970.

William Lyons, Jr.
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Commissioners

Commissioner J. F. Yukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.