Decision No. 77316

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 Walter F.) Peters, doing business as Peters) Truck Lines, tariff provisions) resulting in an increase because) of the proposed cancellation of) specific commodity rates published) under alternative application) provisions.)

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 51827 (Filed April 16, 1970) (Amended April 30, 1970)

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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, as amended, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Walter F. Peters, doing business as Peters Truck Lines and Di Salvo Trucking Co., to cancel joint rail competitive rates for the transportation of printing paper, other than newsprint, from points in the Redding area to Fresno and points in the Los Angeles-Long Beach area. Upon cancellation of the rates as proposed, higher joint class rates would apply.

Applicant states that the rates in question were originally established in 1968 in anticipation that new traffic could be generated. Applicant avers that no traffic has moved under these rates and that considerable expense has been incurred by the involved carriers in publishing such rates. Applicant declares

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that additional unnecessary expenses would result in the event that the carriers should be required to maintain the aforementioned rates in effect.

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

The application and amendment were listed on the Commission's Daily Calendars of April 17 and May 1, 1970. No objection to the granting of the application, as amended, has been received.

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

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that increases resulting from cancellation of the rates as proposed in the application, as amended, are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application, as amended, should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

 Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized, on behalf of Walter F. Peters and Di Salvo Trucking Co., to cancel joint rates as proposed in the application, as amended.

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.

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