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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 common carriers, and highway carriers relating to the transportation of trailer coaches and related items as provided in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 18.

) Case No. 8808) Petition for Modification) No. 9

ORDER POSTPONING HEARING

By Petition for Modification No. 9 herein, Highway Carriers Association seeks modification of the minimum rate structure in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 18 applicable to the transportation of trailer coaches exceeding 10 feet, 4 inches in width (12-wides). Hearing in this petition has been scheduled for July 8, 1970 at Los Angeles.

By petition filed May 29th herein, the Trailer Coach Association has requested the Commission to direct its staff to prepare and submit a study of current conditions in the transportation of trailer coaches which will permit the Commission to reevaluate the minimum rates established for such transportation. Trailer Coach Association points out that such reevaluation was recommended by the staff in the proceedings leading to the establishment of the minimum rates. It asserts that the rate adjustments proposed by Highway Carriers Association in its Petition No. 9 would result in increases in minimum rates ranging from 50 percent to 84 percent and centering around 75 percent. It urges the Commission to consider the results of such a study prepared by the staff at the same time or prior to the time that the increases proposed in Petition No. 9 are considered.

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On June 9, 1970, the minimum rates in Minimum Rate Tariff No. 18 were adjusted to offset increases in carrier operating expenses. We have been informed by the Transportation Division that the study requested by the Trailer Coach Association should be prepared and will be prepared and submitted to the Commission;

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that Petition for Modification No. 9 be temporarily removed from the Commission's calendar and that hearings in said proceeding be scheduled at a time and place to be set.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof. Dated at <u>Ben Francisco</u>, California, this <u>/67</u> day of <u>JUNE</u>, 1970. <u>William Muorus A</u> President <u>Augusta</u>

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