

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 78605

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)	Shortened Procedure
Alltrans Express California, Inc.)	Tariff Docket
tariff provisions resulting in)	Application No. 52476
increases because of proposed)	(Filed March 1, 1971)
cancellation of certain distance)	
commodity rates on Grain, Rice)	
and Grain Products.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of Alltrans Express California, Inc. (Alltrans) to cancel from one of its tariffs that carrier's participation in certain rates for the transportation of grain, rice, grain products, animal or poultry feed and related articles between points in California.¹ Upon cancellation of the rates as proposed, higher class rates would apply.

Applicant states that Alltrans has reviewed its records and determined that there has been little movement of these commodities under the rates in question, and the traffic that is of record has moved at an operating loss to the carrier. Applicant contends that, inasmuch as Alltrans is handling only a very small amount of this traffic, the proposed cancellation of the commodity rates would have no adverse effect upon the shipping public.

¹ The rates are set forth in Items Nos. 4720 and 4722 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of March 3, 1971. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Commission staff analysis discloses that few, if any, actual increases need result from the proposed cancellation of rates since service would still be available at the present rates from other authorized highway carriers. The staff recommends that the application 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., is hereby authorized to cancel the participation of Alltrans Express California, Inc., in certain rates in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, 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 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 Los Angeles, California, this 27th day of April, 1971.

Chairman
William J. ...

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Commissioners

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

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.