

Decision No. 81474

**ORIGINAL**

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 Illinois- )  
California Express, Inc., and all )  
other carriers as shown in Exhibit )  
"A", tariff provisions resulting in )  
an increase because of the proposed )  
cancellation of certain specific )  
commodity rates. )

Shortened Procedure  
Tariff Docket  
Application No. 53897  
(Filed March 16, 1973)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority, on behalf of various carriers,<sup>1</sup> to cancel their participation in certain commodity rates in one of its tariffs.<sup>2</sup> Upon cancellation of these commodity rates, higher class rates would apply.

<sup>1</sup> The carriers are Alltrans Express California, Inc., California Motor Express, Ltd., De Boer Truck Lines, Inc., Illinois-California Express, Inc., Nielsen Freight Lines and The Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company.

<sup>2</sup> The rates, which apply on various commodities from and to various points, are set forth in detail in Items Nos. 400, 4482, 4500, 4513, 4530, 4535, 4537.8, 4538, 4539, 4563, 4566, 4567, 4568, 4569, 4570, 4571, 4572, 4573, 4592, 4658, 4720, 4722, 4770.5, 4771, 4772, 4772.5, 4775, 4780, 4795, 4797, 6148 and 6149 of Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent.

Applicant states the carriers involved have reviewed their records and determined that no traffic has been transported for a considerable length of time under the rates in question. Applicant contends that the proposal would remove obsolete material from the tariff and provide a measure of protection against traffic which could produce operating losses in the future.

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 March 19, 1973. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the proposed cancellation of rates is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

Pursuant to paragraph (E) (2) (e) of Rule 23.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, no findings regarding compliance with the Federal Economic Stabilization Act are required for Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket filings seeking carrier rate adjustments under Rule 25 thereof.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized on behalf of Alltrans Express California, Inc., California Motor Express, Ltd., De Boer Truck Lines, Inc., Illinois-California Express, Inc., Nielsen Freight Lines and The Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, to publish amendments 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


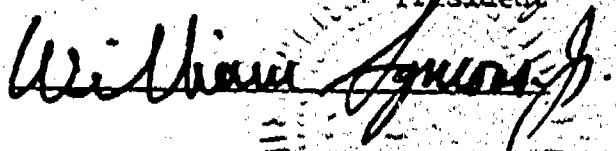


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ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

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 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1973

  
President  
  
  
  
Commissioners

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