

Decision No. 82021

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of John T. Reed,)
 President of Pacific Coast Tariff)
 Bureau, for and on behalf of)
 G & J Freight, Inc., by virtue)
 of Power of Attorney to said)
 Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau, under)
 Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket,)
 to amend Item 503.10 of Pacific)
 Coast Tariff Bureau Tariff No. 16,)
 Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (Express) and 19)
 (Freight), to publish increased)
 rates covering the transportation)
 of Fertilizing Compounds (Manu-)
 factured Fertilizers), Insecti-)
 cides and Fungicides, to the)
 extent outlined in Exhibit "B")
 attached hereto and by reference)
 thereto, made a part of this)
 Application.)

Shortened Procedure
 Tariff Docket
 Application No. 54217
 (Filed August 2, 1973)

-AND-

For authority to depart from the)
 terms of Section 454 of the Public)
 Utilities Code when accomplishing)
 proposed publication.)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau seeks authority, on behalf of G & J Freight, Inc. (G & J), to increase G & J's rates for the transportation of Fertilizing Compounds, Insecticides and Fungicides for distances of 600 miles or less and to establish rates for the transportation of the aforementioned commodities for distances exceeding 600 miles but not exceeding 800 miles.¹

¹ The present rates are set forth in Item 503.10 of Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 16, Cal.P.U.C. Nos. 1 (Express) and 19 (Freight), and in Exhibit "A" attached to the application. The proposed rates are set forth in Exhibit "B" attached to said application.

Applicant states that the transportation in question is exempt from the application of the Commission's minimum rates. Applicant avers that the involved rates have been in effect since September 7, 1971, and the rates on nonexempt commodities have been increased approximately 11 percent since that date. Applicant declares that the proposed increases are required to enable G & J to offset the increased operating expenses it has experienced since September 7, 1971, in performing the above transportation service.

Applicant alleges that Valley Nitrogen Producers, Inc., Fresno, and Reserve Oil and Gas Company, Hanford, the volume shippers involved, have been contacted concerning the proposed increase in rates and such parties support the proposal.

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

The certificate of services indicates that copies of the application were mailed to California Trucking Association, Reserve Oil and Gas Company and Valley Nitrogen Producers. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 3, 1973. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, 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. Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau is hereby authorized, on behalf of G & J Freight, Inc., to publish rates in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 16, Cal.P.U.C. Nos. 1 (Express) and 19 (Freight), as specifically proposed in the application.

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

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 hercof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of October, 1973.

Vernon L. Sturgeon
President
William J. Sykes
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Commissioners