

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 83197

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket)	Shortened Procedure
to publish for and on behalf of)	Tariff Docket
Shippers Imperial, Inc. provi-)	Application No. 54967
sions resulting in increases)	(Filed June 14, 1974)
because of publication of a new)	
rule in connection with vehicle)	
utilization.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., seeks authority on behalf of Shippers Imperial, Inc. (Shippers), to publish a new exclusive-use-of-equipment rule in one of its tariffs and concurrently cancel Shipper's participation in a similar rule in the same tariff.¹

Shipper's current rule provides for application of a minimum charge based on the Class 55 rate for 20,000 pounds for exclusive use of a unit of equipment with a lineal loading space of 28 feet or less and a minimum charge based on the Class 35.1 rate for 36,000 pounds for exclusive use of a unit of equipment with lineal loading space exceeding 28 feet. According to applicant, the proposed rule would permit the carrier to apply, when exclusive use of its equipment is required by the consignor, a minimum charge

¹Shipper's participation would be cancelled from Item No. 289 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15. The proposed rule is set forth in detail in Appendix "A" attached to the application.

which varies according to the lineal length of the equipment utilized.²

Applicant points out that the proposed minimum charges for exclusive use service would result in both increases and reductions and that such charges would be more closely related to the costs of providing the service.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 17, 1974. 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. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized, on behalf of Shippers Imperial, Inc., to publish amendments to 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.

²The proposed rule provides for application of one of five minimum charges for this service on a particular shipment. These minimum charges are based on the applicable class rate for weights ranging from 20,000 pounds for equipment with a lineal length of 24 feet or less to 45,000 pounds for equipment with a lineal length over 40 feet but not over 54 feet.

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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 30th day of July, 1974.

Vernon L. Stinson
President
William Squares Jr.
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Commissioners

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