Decision No. 83847

ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COILISSION 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
Intercity Truck and Delivery
Service, Inc., provisions
resulting in increases because
of proposed amendment to the
minimum charge provisions.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 55283 (Filed October 31, 1974)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. (WMTB) seeks authority, on behalf of Intercity Truck and Delivery Service, Inc. (Intercity), to increase its minimum charge on single shipments, which are tendered at one point of origin and weigh 150 pounds or less, by assessing the applicable minimum charge for shipments weighing 200 pounds. 1

Applicant alleges that Intercity is a relatively small Los Angeles Basin Carrier whose primary business is truckload traffic originating at or destined to the Los Angeles steamship docks or wharves. Applicant avers that it has found that the current minimum charges for the involved service are not compensatory and cites, as an example, the minimum charge of \$4.95 for picking up a 25-pound shipment at Van Nuys and delivering it to a location in Santa Fe Springs. Applicant avers that this charge hardly reflects the involved paperwork cost and contends that the proposed minimum charge for this service would only minimize out-or-pocket losses.

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

The present minimum charges are set forth in detail in Items
Nos. 460 and 467 of WMTB Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and
Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

(SPT) A. 55283 - JW The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 1, 1974. No objection to the granting of the application has been received. In the circumstances, the Commission finds that applicant's proposal is reasonable and 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., on behalf of Intercity Truck and Delivery Service, Inc., is authorized to publish minimum charge provisions as specifically proposed in the application. 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 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 17 day of December, 1974.