

Decision No. 83970**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of John T. Reed,)
 President Pacific Coast Tariff)
 Bureau, for and on behalf of)
 Peters Truck Lines, by virtue of)
 Power of Attorney to said Pacific)
 Coast Tariff Bureau, under)
 Shortened Procedure Tariff)
 Docket, to increase rates in)
 cents per hour for Special)
 Expedited Service, and in)
 addition, provide for charges for)
 furnishing extra man or helper)
 in Rule 429 of Pacific Coast)
 Tariff Bureau Tariff Number 16)
 Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (Express) and)
 19 (Freight), of C. R. Nickerson,)
 Agent, to the extent outlined in)
 Exhibit "A" attached hereto and)
 made a part of this application.)

Shortened Procedure
 Tariff Docket
 Application No. 55238
 (Filed October 9, 1974)

-AND-

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

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau (PCTB), on behalf of Peters Truck Lines (Peters), seeks: (1) to increase its hourly rates for Special Expedited Service by approximately 30 percent and (2) to provide that the accessorial charges, which apply to other services when an extra man or helper is furnished, will be assessed when such extra man or helper is supplied in connection with the aforementioned service.¹

¹The present rates are set forth in Rule 429 of PCTB Local, Joint & Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 16, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (Express) and 19 (Freight) of C. R. Nickerson, Agent.

Applicant states that the rates in question have not been increased since they were originally established on January 17, 1972, and Peters has experienced substantial increases in labor and other costs since that date. Applicant alleges that the charges resulting under the involved hourly rates have proved, in many instances, to be less than those accruing under weight rates for normal services between the same points.² Applicant avers that the sought rates and accessorial charges are necessary to enable Peters to offset the out-of-pocket losses which are incurred in performing this specialized service.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 10, 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. Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau is authorized, on behalf of Peters Truck Lines, to increase the rates for Special Expedited Service as set forth in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 16, Cal.P.U.C. No. 1 (Express) and No. 19 (Freight), 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

²The class rates in Minimum Rate Tariff 2 have been increased by 5.5%, 5%, 2%, 5.5%, 3%, 4.5% and 1% during the period January 1, 1972, to the present date pursuant to Decisions Nos. 79483, 80235, 81185, 82219, 82453, 82924 and 83092, respectively, or 29.6% when compounding is taken into consideration.

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.

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 7th day of January, 1975.

Vernon L. Sturgeon
President
William Symons Jr.
[Signature]

Commissioners