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Decision No. 84716

PEFORE 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)
participating carriers tariff provisions resulting in increases)
because of proposed increases in)
charges set forth in Paragraph (A))
of Item No. 50 of applicant's
Tariff No. lll.

Shortened Procedure
Tariff Docket
Application No. 55682
(Filed May 9, 1975)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. (WMTB) seeks authority, on behalf of the carriers participating in one of its tariffs to increase the additional charge from 32 cents to 50 cents per 100 pounds and the minimum additional charge from \$2.10 to \$3.45 for picking up or delivering shipments at points not at street level.

Applicant states that the so-called inside delivery charges have not been increased by the same percentage amounts as the Commission found to be necessary for wage off-set increases in minimum rates and its proposal would more realistically compensate the carriers for the additional services performed. Applicant cites, as an example, an instance where a carrier spent two hours and 45 minutes in delivering a 1,790-pound shipment to a consignee located on the second floor of a downtown office building at which no vehicular elevator service or vehicular ramp was available. According to applicant, it is not uncommon for carriers to experience

The provisions governing the services involved are set forth in detail in Paragraph (A) of Item No. 50 of WMTB Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15.

(SPT) A. 55682 - HKconsiderable delay time in making upstairs deliveries. Applicant anticipates that approximately \$10,000 in additional yearly gross revenue would accrue under the proposal to the carriers involved. Applicant declares that the matter herein involved was considered by the Bureau's General Commodity Standing Rate Committee at meetings held in July, 1974, at Southgate and Oakland under Docket No. 2933; the proposal was circulated to interested shippers on the Bureau's docket mailing list; and no opposition was received from the parties. Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenues of any of the involved carriers by as much as one percent. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of May 12, 1975. 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: Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., on behalf of the carriers participating in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal.P.U.C. No. 15, is hereby authorized to publish in said tariff increased charges for inside delivery 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. -23. 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 hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>29th</u> day of July, 1975.

Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.