Decision No. 86446

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation for the purpose of considering and determining minimum
rates for transportation of
general commodities in the
Counties of Contra Costa, Lake,
Marin, Medocino, Monterey,
Napa, San Benito, San Mateo,
Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano
and Sonoma, and in the County
of Alameda and in the City and
County of San Francisco as
provided in Minimum Rate Tariffs
l-B and l9 respectively, and
the revisions or reissues thereof.

Case No. 5441
Petition for Modification
No. 369
(Filed August 24, 1976)

And Related Matters

Cases Nos. 5432 and 5439
Petitions for Modification
Nos. 915 and 287, respectively
(Filed August 24, 1976)

OPINION AND ORDER

By these petitions, Advanced Business Services, Inc., a corporation, doing business as A Advanced Mail Delivery Service, seeks exemption from the minimum rates and rules named in Minimum Rate Tariffs 1-B, 2, 9-E and 19 for the "courier type" transportation of various commodities.

The petitions are based on special circumstances and conditions detailed therein.

The petitions were listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 25, 1976. No objection to the granting of the petition has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that petitioner intends to engage in a "courier type" transportation service for which competing highway carriers have heretofore been exempted from the otherwise governing minimum rates and petitioner's request for similar relief has been shown to be justified to the extent hereinafter indicated. For purposes of simplification, the rate exemption granted to petitioner in Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision 85703 will be consolidated with that authorized herein. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the petition should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order and the effective date of the order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

IT IS ORDERED that:

- l. Advanced Eusiness Services, Inc., doing business as A Advanced Mail Delivery Service, is exempted from the otherwise governing provisions of Minimum Rate Tariffs 1-E, 2, 9-B and 19 when engaged in the "courier type" transportation of:
 - a. Human and animal blood, organs, specimens, medical and dental records and documents, X-ray photographs, medical and dental supplies and related equipment, drugs, prescription items and pharmaceuticals; and
 - b. Checks, drafts, money orders, transit items, mail, audit media, audit items, data processing materials, paper punch tapes, tabulating cards, film, video tapes, legal documents, title policies and documents, radioactive pharmaceuticals, printed or reproduced material and business records;

when transported in vehicles not exceeding a licensed weight of 4,500 pounds.

2. The authority granted in Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision 65703 is cancelled.

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The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25 day of September, 1976.

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