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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application)
of Western Motor Tariff Bureau,)
Inc., seeking authority for the)
publication of a new tariff)
providing charges for the)
movement of commodities requiring)
special handling.)

Application 84-06-097
(Filed June 28, 1984)

O P I N I O N

Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB), on behalf of Whittier Transfer & Storage Co., Inc. (Whittier), requests authority to publish a new tariff providing charges for the movement of commodities which require special handling.

Some shipments tendered to Whittier, such as copying machines, do not lend themselves to the assessment of class rates under WMTB tariff 570-A, in which Whittier participates. The transportation is specialized, requiring much more service than the usual spotting of a trailer, loading and unloading. The shipments are seldom crated, and much of the traffic moves without packing or under blanket wrapped conditions, similar to household goods moves. Drivers and helpers must be acquainted with the type of handling necessary, which includes services such as assembling, dismantling, loading onto or unloading from dollies or carts, moving through crowded offices or showroom floors, and employment of rigging or hoisting devices.

In the opinion of the applicant, the class rates and governing rules in WMTB Tariff 570-A are not suitable to cover the services involved. The proposed tariff will establish the type of rates, rules and charges that are appropriate for special handling services performed by Whittier.

The proposal is not a major action significantly affecting energy efficiency within the meaning of Sections 3502.1 and 3502.2 of the Public Utilities (PU) Code.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Transportation Calendar of July 3, 1984. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. The increases resulting from this proposal are justified.
2. Authority to depart from the provisions of PU Code Section 461.5 is justified.
3. The following order has no reasonably foreseeable impact upon the energy efficiency of highway common carriers.
4. A public hearing is not necessary.
5. The effective date of this order should be today since there is no reason to delay the increase.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Whittier Transfer & Storage Co., Inc., is authorized to publish a new tariff providing charges for the movement of commodities which require special handling.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order shall be filed on or after the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than 5 days after the effective date of this order on not less than 5 days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

3. Whittier Transfer & Storage Co., Inc., in establishing and maintaining the rates authorized by this order, is authorized to depart from the provisions of PU Code Section 461.5 to the extent necessary to adjust long- and short-haul departures now maintained under outstanding authorizations; such outstanding authorizations are modified only to the extent necessary to comply with this order; and schedules containing the rates published under this authority shall make reference to the prior orders authorizing long- and short-haul departures and to this order.

4. The application is granted as set forth above.

This order is effective today.

Dated AUG 1 1984, at San Francisco, California.

Commissioner Priscilla C. Grew,
being necessarily absent, did
not participate

Commissioner William T. Bagley
being necessarily absent, did
not participate.

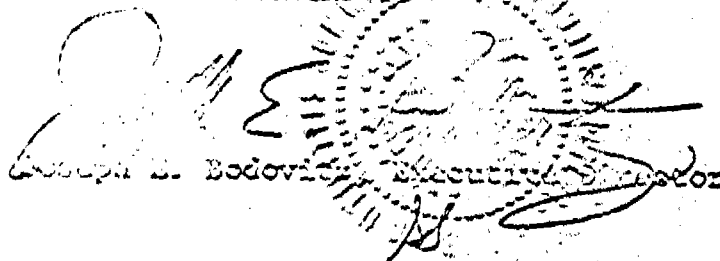
LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.
President

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Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE
COMMISSIONERS.


Joseph B. Bodovich, Executive Director