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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of G. I. Trucking Co. seeking authority to publish tariff provisions resulting in increases.

Application 84-07-064 (Filed July 20, 1984)

OPINION

- G. I. Trucking Co. (G.I.), a California corporation, requests authority to amend its rates filed in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB) Tariffs 170 and 570 to the extent necessary to establish an increase of 10 percent on minimum charges, any-quantity (AQ), and 5,000-pound-minimum rate levels. These tariffs name rates and related rules and conditions applicable to the transportation of general commodities moving in truckload and less-than-truckload quantities.
- G. I. declares that it needs revenue increases to offset increased operating expenses. The most significant of such increases are due to higher taxes, utility costs and equipment prices.
- G. I., along with other participating carriers in WMTB tariffs, was granted increases ranging up to 3.5% by Decision 84-04-080 dated April 18, 1984, in Application 83-06-12. G. I.

indicates that it has applied the full amount of this and all other increases previously authorized to its minimum charge through 5,000-pound-minimum rates. This traffic generates 98.5% of applicant's intrastate revenues. G. I. has advised the Commission staff by letter dated September 11, 1984, that its other rates are 12% above Transition Tariff level, leaving 12-1/2% of unused increase authority which would generate additional annual revenues of \$46,681 if used.

G. I. has furnished financial data for the year ending December 31, 1983, setting forth actual revenue and expenses as well as projected results under the proposed rates. From that data, the staff has prepared a comparison of applicant's financial position using current costs in conjunction with projected revenues for 1984:

<u>I</u>	Test Period Ending December 31, 1984	
	Present Rates	Proposed Rates
Projected Revenue	\$24,896,409	\$26,896,409
Previously Authoriz	ed Unused Increases	46,681 26,943,090
Projected Expenses	25,094,928	25,094,928
Profit (Loss)	(198,519)	1,848,162
Operating Ratio	100.8	93.1

The operating ratio of 93.1 percent is within the zone of reasonableness.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Transportation Calendar of July 25, 1984. No protest to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

- 1. G. I., as a participant in WMTB tariffs, was last granted authority to increase rates by Decision 84-04-080 dated April 18, 1984. in Application 83-06-12.
- 2. G. I. by this application is seeking a 10% increase in its minimum charges and less-than-truckload rates based on weights from any quantity up to and including 5,000 pounds in WMTB tariffs.
- 3. G. I. estimates that the proposed increases would increase its annual revenues by \$2,000,000.
- 4. The increases resulting from this proposal are justified.
- 5. Authority to depart from the provisions of PU Code Section 461.5 is justified.
- 6. The following order has no reasonably foreseeable impact on the energy efficiency of highway common carriers.
 - 7. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusions of Law

The application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. G. I. Trucking Co. is authorized to amend its rates filed in WMTB Tariffs WMT 170, CA PUC 51, and WMT 570-A, CA PUC 85, to the extent necessary to establish an increase of 10 percent on minimum charges, any-quantity, and 5,000-pound-minimum rates.
- 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. G. I. Trucking Co., 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 becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated ______NOV 7 1984 _____, at San Francisco, California.

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