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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Merchants Home Delivery Service, Inc., for authority to publish provisions in its Tariff Adoption Notice that would result in increases in rates and charges.

Application 84-06-025 (Filed June 8, 1984)

$\underline{O P I N I O N}$

By this application, Merchants Home Delivery Service, Inc. (Merchants) requests authority to publish amendments to its Tariff Adoption Notice that will increase some of its rates and charges, and add new provisions and charges for special services for which charges are currently not provided in Transition Tariff 2.

The following changes and new items are proposed:

- Item 2000 A new item adding an application of rates in Section 2;
- Item 2005 A new item adding a minimum charge for large packages; /
- Item 2010 A new item adding size limits to packages tendered to applicant;
- Item 2015 A new item adding a released valuation on shipments subject to rates in Section 2;
- Item 2020 A new item adding provisions for collect on Delivery (C.O.D) shipments;

Item 2025 - A new item providing for charges for redelivery of shipments to a corrected address;

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- Item 2030 A new item providing for charges when shipper requests documentary proof that delivery of a shipment was effected;
- Item 2035 A new item adding a service charge when pickup service is requested and furnished;
- Item 2040 A new item providing for package delivery rates when the constructive mileage between the origin and destination is 100 miles or less;
- Item 2050 A new item providing additional package delivery rates for any package weighing less than 15 pounds and shipments transported more than 100 constructive miles: and
- Item 2060 A new item providing for rates for volume package delivery service.

Merchants estimates that it will realize additional revenue of \$33,234.

Merchants affirms that the proposal is not considered to be 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 June 13, 1984. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. The proposed increases in applicant's amendment to its adoption of the Commission's Transition Tariffs, as specifically stated in this opinion, are justified.

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2. Under the proposed increases, Merchants estimates that it will realize additional revenue of \$33,234.

3. Authority to depart from the provisions of PU Code Section 461.5 is justified.

4. The following order has no reasonably foreseeable impact on the energy efficiency of highway common carriers.

5. A public hearing is not necessary. Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Merchants Home Delivery Service, Inc. is authorized to publish new provisions and charges for special services and to increase its rates and charges in its amendment to the adoption of the Commission's Transition Tariffs as specifically stated in the body of this opinion.

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.

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3. Merchants Home Delivery Service, Inc., in establishing and maintaining the rates and charges 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.

The application is granted as set forth above.
This order becomes effective 30 days from today.
Dated <u>NOV 2 ! 1984</u>, at San Francisco, California.

PRISCILLA C. GREW DONALD VIAL WILLIAM T. BAGLEY Commissioners

Commissioner Victor Calvo, being nocessarily absent. did not participato

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