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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of KEENEY TRUCK LINES, INC. a )  
California corporation, for )  
authority to adjust the rates )  
and charges in Keeney Truck )  
Lines, Inc., CAL. P.U.C. No. 1, )  
pursuant to Section 454 of the )  
Public Utilities Code. )

Application 83-07-44  
(Filed July 25, 1983)

O P I N I O N

Keeney Truck Lines, Inc. (Keeney), a California corporation, seeks authority to publish increases in its tariff CAL. P.U.C. No. 1. This tariff contains the rates and charges for transporting general commodities under yearly, monthly, weekly, and hourly vehicle unit rates.

Keeney states that it has been experiencing increases in expenses for providing transportation services under these rates. Keeney, in support of its need for additional revenue, has referenced the increases in the Consumer Price Index, specifically the Urban Consumer Index increases. Keeney applied the indices to its operating costs and has determined a 7% increase in rates is needed to enable it to continue its services at profitable levels.

From the applicant's financial data, the staff has prepared a comparison of Keeney's financial position using the present costs being experienced compared with revenues earned in 1982-83 and projected revenues for 1983-84, including the sought increase.

	<u>Test Year Ending May 31, 1984</u>	
	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
Revenue	(1982-83) \$3,294,940	(1983-84) \$3,525,585
Expenses Revised to Reflect Current Costs	3,472,380	3,472,380
Profit (Loss)	(177,440)	53,205
Operating Ratio	105.4	98.5

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 26, 1983. No protest to the granting of the application has been received.

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.

Findings of Fact

1. Applicant's rates were last adjusted July 1, 1981. Since then it has experienced increased expenses in all phases of its operations.

2. Under the sought increase it is estimated that applicant will realize additional revenue of about \$230,645.

3. The increases in applicant's rates and charges have been shown to be justified.

4. Limited authority to depart from the provisions of PU Code Section 461.5 is justified.

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

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Keeney Truck Lines, Inc. is authorized to increase its rates and charges in its tariff Keeney Truck Lines, Inc., CAL. P.U.C. No. 1 by 7%.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order shall be filed not earlier than 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. Keeney Truck Lines, Inc. in establishing and maintaining the rates authorized to depart from the provisions of PU Code Sections 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.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated SEP 30 1985, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.  
President

VICTOR CALVO

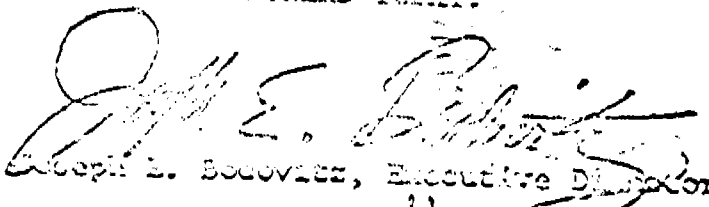
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Commissioners

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

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

  
Joseph E. Bocovick, Executive Director