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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of) Cal-West Tariff Bureau on behalf of) Norco Delivery Service, Inc.,) seeking authority to publish tariff) provisions resulting in rate) increases.)

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application 83-07-09 (Filed July 7, 1983)

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Cal-West Tariff Bureau (CWTB). on behalf of Norco Delivery Service, Inc., (NORCO), seeks authority to increase certain rates in its Special Trip Service Norco Local Freight Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, Item 20 as follows:

- 1. Increase minimum charge from \$27.50 to \$34.97 when a shipper requests the use of a two and one-half ton truck.
- Increase charges for Special Trip Service performed on Sundays from one and one-half times the otherwise applicable charges to two times the otherwise applicable charges.

Rates and charges contained in Item 20 were established in 1981. Since that time, operating expenses have risen steadily, while NORCO's rates and charges have remained the same.

Justification for the increase in the minimum charge from \$27.50 to \$34.97 is based on rising cost of fuel and increases in other operating expenses.

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Justification for the increase in charges for Special Trip Service performed on Sundays is based on the salary requirements of NORCO's drivers. Drivers were formerly paid at a rate equal to one and one-half times their regular hourly wage for work performed on Sundays. NORCO now pays its drivers at a rate equal to two times their regular hourly wage. The proposed increase in charges would allow NORCO to cover this additional cost and continue to accomodate the special needs of shippers who request Special Trip Service on Sundays.

Applicant stated that the granting of this application would not increase its California intrastate gross revenue by as much as 1%.

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

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 12, 1983. No objection to the granting of this application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. The increases resulting from this proposal are justified.

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

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3. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Cal-West Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, is authorized to publish on behalf of Norco Delivery Service, Inc., provisions in Norco Local Freight Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, Item 20, for Special Trip Services as follows:

- a. Minimum charge of \$34.97 when shipper requests the use of a two and one half ton truck.
- b. When Special Trip Service is performed on Sundays, the charge will be two (2) times the otherwise applicable charges.

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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.

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The order becomes effective 30 days from today. Dated OCT 19 1983, at San Francisco, California.

> LEONARD M. GRIMES. JR. President VICTOR CALVO PRISCILLA C. GREW DONALD VIAL WILLIAM T. BACLEY Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION WAS APPRICED BY THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY. oserti E. Bodovitz, Exect

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