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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Cal-West Tariff
 Bureau, Inc., Agent, under
 Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket
 to publish for and on behalf of
 all carriers participating in its
 Local Freight Tariff No. 17, Cal.
 P.U.C. No. 17, (Uncrated New
 Furniture Tariff) provisions
 resulting in increases and reduc-
 tions due to changes in Collect On
 Delivery (COD) shipment charges
 -and-
 For authority to depart from the
 terms of Section(s) 452 and 454 of
 the Public Utilities Code when
 accomplishing such publications.

Shortened Procedure
 Tariff Docket
 Application 83-10-54
 (Filed October 31, 1983)

O P I N I O N

Cal-West Tariff Bureau (CWTB), Inc., Agent, seeks authority, for and on behalf of all carriers party to its Local Freight Tariff No. 17, Cal. P.U.C. No. 17 (Uncrated New Furniture), to publish changes in its Collect On Delivery (COD) Shipment Charges in CWTB Tariff 17. The new provisions (same COD provisions as general commodities) would result in increases and reductions in the COD charges.

According to applicant, Item 430 of CWTB Tariff 17 contains provisions for assessment of charges for collecting, remitting, amending or cancelling COD amounts. Charges are based on the COD amount collected and remitted.

CWTB alleges that its participating carriers desire to have COD charges assessed on shipments of uncrated new furniture consistent with those applied to general commodity shipments.

CWTB further alleges that the participating carriers indicate that the COD charges named in Item 65 of CWTB Governing Rules Tariff No. 300, Cal. P.U.C. No. 3 provide sufficient compensation for this service.

CWTB asserts that the shipping public would benefit from this change by being spared the confusion that might arise from having two sets of charges for the same service.

Additionally, CWTB points out that the costs of providing COD service for shipments of uncrated new furniture and general commodities would not vary to any substantial degree.

CWTB avers that if the application is granted it would increase each of the carriers' California intrastate gross revenue by less than one percent.

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 Calendar of November 3, 1983. No objection to the granting of the 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.
3. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Cal-West Tariff Bureau (CWTB), Inc., Agent, is authorized to publish, for and on behalf of all participating carriers in its CWTB Local Freight Tariff No. 17, Cal. P.U.C. No. 17 (Uncrated New Furniture), increased and reduced Collect on Delivery shipment charges as specifically proposed in Exhibit "B" of the application.
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.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated JAN 5 1984, at San Francisco, California.

LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.
President

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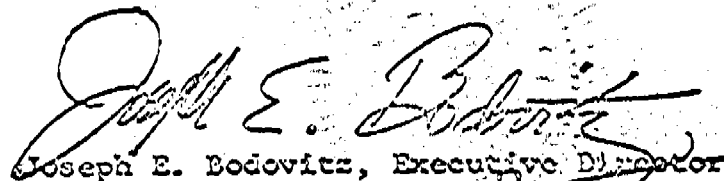
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Commissioners

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


Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director