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Decision No.

87005

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, under) the Shortened Procedure Tariff) Docket to publish for and on behalf of City Freight Lines tariff) provisions resulting in increases) due to the establishment of an arbitrary charge applicable to shipments of bananas originating at steamship docks or wharves.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 56782 (Filed September 29, 1976)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTE), seeks authority, on behalf of City Freight Lines (CFL), to establish a rate arbitrary of 14 cents per 100 pounds for the transportation of bananas which originate at steamship docks or wharves.1

Applicant states that is is necessary for CFL to engage the services of steamship dock or wharf personnel to load shipments of bananas at the dock or wharf. Applicant alleges that CFL must bear the cost for such loading service which can be as much as \$90 for a truckload shipment. Applicant avers that its proposal would allow CFL to recover the loading cost incurred by it in transporting bananas and allow it to avoid an out-of-pocket loss in connection with the involved transportation.

Rates for the shipments in question are set forth in Item No. 630 of WMTB Local Freight and Express Tariff No. 127, CAL.P.U.C. No. 39.

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According to applicant, increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of CFL by as much as one percent. Applicant anticipates that the yearly revenue increase under said proposal would approximate \$32,000.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 30, 1976. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that applicant's proposal is reasonable and justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., on behalf of City Freight Lines, is authorized to publish in its Local Freight and Express Tariff No. 127, CAL.P.U.C. No. 39, a rate arbitrary of 14 cents per 100 pounds, applicable to shipments of bananas originating at steamship docks or wharves, as specifically set forth in the application.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

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Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23nd day of February, 1977.

President Commissioners

Commissioner William Symons. Jr., being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon. being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.