

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 87233

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor	)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the	)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket	)	
to publish for and on behalf of	)	Shortened Procedure
Acme Transportation, Inc. tariff	)	Tariff Docket
provisions resulting in increases	)	Application No. 57101
because of proposed increase in	)	(Filed February 18, 1977)
specified hourly rates for bulk	)	
petroleum carriers.	)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB), seeks authority, on behalf of Acme Transportation, Inc. (Acme) to increase the hourly rate of \$20.53 to \$25.00 when the carrier is requested to provide special services in transporting petroleum products in tank truck equipment.<sup>1</sup>

Applicant states that Acme, during the last several years, has experienced increased costs when providing shippers with vehicles, personnel and special equipment for the special services involved. According to applicant, Acme has especially experienced increased costs when the carrier's pumps are required "to load equipment in a process opposite to the normal gravity flow process".

Applicant contends that increases resulting from the proposal would not increase its California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent. Applicant anticipates that approximately \$1,000 in additional yearly revenue should accrue to it under the proposed charges.

<sup>1</sup> The present hourly rates for the special services are set forth in Item 450 of WMTB Local and Joint Freight and Express Tariff No. 18, Cal.P.U.C. No. 24.

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The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of February 23, 1977. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that increases resulting from applicant's proposal are 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., Agent, is hereby authorized, on behalf of Acme Transportation, Inc., to publish an amendment to Item 450 of its Local and Joint Freight and Express Tariff No. 18, Cal.P.U.C. No. 24, as specifically proposed 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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 1977.

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President

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*Vernon L. Sturgen*

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*Richard D. Powell*

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Commissioners

Commissioner Robert Batinovich, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.