

Decision No. 87906 SEP 27 1977

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tar- )  
iff Bureau, Inc., Agent, under the )  
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket )  
to publish for and on behalf of )  
Pacific Motor Transport Company, )  
Pacific Motor Trucking Company and )  
Willig Freight Lines tariff pro- )  
visions resulting in increases )  
due to the cancellation of certain )  
joint rate provisions between all )  
companies.

Shortened Procedure  
Tariff Docket  
Application No. 57419  
(Filed July 1, 1977)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of Pacific Motor Transport Company (PCMQ), Pacific Motor Trucking Company (PMTG) and Willig Freight Lines (WLIG) to cancel joint rates and routes in connection with shipments interchanged between PCMQ and PMTG on the one hand and WLIG on the other hand at Bakersfield, Oxnard, Salinas, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, Santa Rosa and Stockton.<sup>1</sup>

Applicant states that there was a need at one time for the joint rates in question but the aforementioned carriers subsequently have established joint rates with other carriers whose operational procedures have been more suitable to each of them.

Applicant alleges that a check has determined that there has been no traffic interchanged between the involved carriers under such joint rates for a considerable length of time. Applicant asserts that maintenance of such published rates is unnecessary and the public would best be served by cancelling such unused rates.

Applicant avers that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase the California intrastate gross revenue of any of the carriers involved by as much as one percent.

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<sup>1</sup> The proposed cancellations are specifically set forth in Section 12 of Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 6, 1977. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that increases resulting from cancellation of the joint rates and routes as proposed in the application are justified.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted to the extent indicated in the ensuing order and the effective date of this order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief. A public hearing is not necessary.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., is hereby authorized, on behalf of Pacific Motor Transport Company, Pacific Motor Trucking Company and Willig Freight Lines to cancel joint rates and routes 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.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th  
day of SEPTEMBER, 1977.

Robert Bateman  
President

George L. Sturgeon  
Richard W. Howell  
Clair L. Smith  
Commissioners

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