

Decision No. 88162 NOV 29 1977

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc., under the)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff)	Shortened Procedure
Docket to publish for and on)	Tariff Docket
behalf of Wells Cargo, Inc.,)	Application No. 57530
Operator of Western Truck)	(Filed August 23, 1977)
Lines, tariff provisions result-)	
ing in increases because of)	
proposed cancellation of)	
specific commodity rates)	
published under alternative)	
application.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc. (WMTB), seeks authority, on behalf of Wells Cargo, Inc., Operator of Western Truck Lines (WSTK), to cancel the carrier's participation in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight Tariff No. 101-A, Cal. P.U.C. No. 37.

Applicant states that WSTK has not transported any shipments under the rates proposed to be canceled for some time due primarily to the loss of such traffic to competing highway carriers. Applicant declares that such rates have, in effect, become dead rates insofar as WSTK is concerned and contends that the proposal would have no effect upon the shipping public since other highway carriers currently participate in the same rates.

It is asserted that in the event the application is granted and the resulting tariff publication is made, such publication will have no significant dollar impact nor will it increase WSTK's gross revenue insofar as California intrastate traffic is concerned by as much as one percent (1%). Applicant anticipates that the yearly revenue increase of WSTK under its proposal would not exceed \$550.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 26, 1977. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that increases resulting from the cancellation of the rates, as proposed, 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., is hereby authorized on behalf of Wells Cargo, Inc., Operator of Western Truck Lines, to cancel the carrier's participation in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight Tariff No. 101-A Cal. P.U.C. No. 37, 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of NOVEMBER, 1977.

Robert Batistich
President
William J. Sproull
Vernon L. Sturgeon
Charles R. Smith
Paul T. DeBach
Commissioners