

ORIGINALDecision No. 88525 FEB 22 1978

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the)	Shortened Procedure
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket))	Tariff Docket
to publish for and on behalf of)	Application No. 57783
all carriers party to its Cement)	(Filed January 3, 1978)
Tariff 17, tariff provisions re-)	
sulting in increases because of)	
changes in minimum charges.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, seeks authority, on behalf of all carriers party to Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local Freight Tariff No. 17, Cal. P.U.C. No. 21, to amend Item 2170 of that tariff by increasing the minimum charge per shipment from the charge for 47,500 pounds to the charge for 52,000 pounds.

Applicant states that shippers usually load carrier's equipment to capacity and the minimum weight specified in the tariff then has no bearing. However, there have been times when, due to the shortage of cement and/or the marketing practices of individual shippers, carrier's equipment has not been loaded to capacity resulting in a loss of revenue to the carrier as well as inefficient use of equipment.

Applicant avers that the change proposed is more of a protective device than a revenue raising measure. If the application is granted, applicant estimates that the increase in annual revenue will be less than \$1,000.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of January 5, 1978. 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., Agent, is hereby authorized to publish amendments to its Local Freight Tariff No. 17, Cal. P.U.C. No. 21, 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 order shall become effective thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1978.

President

Vernon L. Strang

Richard D. Stovall

Clair T. DeWick
Commissioners

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

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