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Decision No. S9219

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket)	Shortened Procedure
to publish for and on behalf of)	Tariff Docket
G. I. Trucking Company tariff)	Application No. 58076
provisions resulting in increases)	(Filed May 17, 1978)
because of proposed cancellation)	
of certain distance commodity)	
rates applicable to Grain, Grain)	
Products, et al.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of G. I. Trucking Company (G. I.) to publish increases in WMTB 111 for shipments of grain, rice, grain products, animal or poultry feed, seeds and related articles.

Applicant states that the proposed increases would occur by cancelling G. I.'s participation in Item 4720 of WMTB 111 which lists distance commodity rates applicable to the above-named products.

Applicant avers that: (a) it considers such rates in Item 4720 as truckload rates since they are subject to minimum weights of 10,000 pounds or over; (b) generally the level of these specific commodity rates are much lower than the applicable class rates for the same distance; (c) while G. I. considers itself a full service carrier, its average shipment weight is approximately 900 pounds; (d) it has, therefore, more or less geared its operation to accommodate the LTL shipment; (e) from time to time, G. I. is requested to transport truckload shipments which are generally assessed rates at the class rate level; and (f) the rates set forth in Item 4720 are not compensatory to its type of operation.

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G. I. further avers that the proposed publication would have little or no effect upon the shipping public since there are presently numerous other carriers who are parties to Item 4720 of WMTB 111 and other carriers are available which can use the identical provisions which are published in the Commission's Minimum Rate Tariff 2.

Applicant asserts that increases resulting from the proposal herein would not increase G. I.'s California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

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 as set forth in the ensuing order.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, is hereby authorized, on behalf of G. I. Trucking Company, to publish an amendment to its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, as specifically proposed in the application.

2. The tariff publication 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 granted by the order herein shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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The effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of AUGUST, 1978.

Robert B. Brown
President

James L. Sturgeon
Robert D. Givens

Commissioners

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

Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.