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Decision No. 89545

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 )

its participating carriers tariff )

provisions resulting in increases )

because of proposed amendment in )

specified rates for bulk petro- )

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Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket (Application No. 58325) (Filed August 31, 1978)

## OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, seeks authority on behalf of all carriers participating in its Local Freight and Express Tariff No. 18, Cal. P.U.C. No. 24 to increase the rates shown in Item 728 of said tariff.

Tariff 18 contains rates filed for and on behalf of common carriers and bulk petroleum irregular route carriers for transportation of bulk petroleum products as set forth in the Commission's Minimum Rate Tariff 6-B except for some rail competitive rates and a few other rates. Item 728 provides rates in cents per gallon when shipper elects to enter into a written contract for service performed in a given monthly period.

Applicant states this application proposes to correct an oversight in Application 57848, Decision 88792. The decision authorized simplification in Notes 8 and 9; however, no percentage to be applied to total revenue was provided when the shipper designated 1,750,000 to 1,999,999 gallons and actually shipped 2,000,000 to 2,499,999 gallons, nor when shipper designated 2,000,000 to 2,499,999 gallons and actual gallons shipped were 1,750,000 to 1,999,999 gallons. Applicant contends that the inadvertence should be corrected in order to cover all rate columns which exist in Item 728. Applicant also declares that due to the most recent rate increase decision in MRT 6-B, it is necessary to adjust one percentage figure by one tenth of one percent.

Applicant advises that in the event this application is granted and the resulting tariff publication is made, the collective dollar amount of increased revenue would approximate \$20,000 annually. In no event will the proposal increase the gross California intrastate revenue of the carriers on whose behalf this application is is filed by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 1, 1978. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the proposed increases in applicant's rates are 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, on behalf of all carriers participating in its Local Freight and Express Tariff No. 18, Cal. P.U.C. No. 24, is hereby authorized to publish increases in Item 728 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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Commissioner Rebert Batinevich, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.