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ORIGINALDecision No. 8954S

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Wits Air Freight)	
under the Shortened Procedure)	Shortened Procedure
Tariff Docket for authority to)	Tariff Docket
change the format of their)	Application No. 58194
tariff and increase rates and)	(Filed July 3, 1978)
charges.)	(Amended August 9, 1978)

OPINION AND ORDER

Wits, Inc., a corporation, doing business as Wits Air Freight, operates as a freight forwarder by air between points within the State of California.

By this application, as amended, Wits Air Freight requests authority to cancel its current California Air Freight Forwarder Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, and issue, in its stead, California Air Freight Forwarder Tariff No. 2, Cal. P.U.C. No. 2.

Applicant proposes major revisions in its tariff which will result, in many instances, in increases of the present rates and charges. Applicant states that the proposed changes will result in a more uniform tariff, comparable to other freight forwarders' tariffs currently on file with this Commission. In addition, applicant alleges the proposed changes will make its tariff easier to understand and use.

Applicant states, in support of the proposed increases, that its rates and charges have not increased since August 31, 1975. Applicant asserts that since the last authorized increase of its rates and charges, costs of operation have increased drastically. Applicant maintains that revenue increases resulting from the proposed rates and charges will not increase its California intra-state gross revenue by as much as one percent.

The application and amendment were listed on the Commission's Daily Calendars of July 6 and August 10, 1978, respectively. No objection to the granting of the application, as amended, has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that increases resulting from publication of the tariff proposed in the application are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Wits, Inc., a corporation, doing business as Wits Air Freight, is hereby authorized to cancel its California Air Freight Forwarder Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, and to publish California Air Freight Forwarder Tariff No. 2, as specifically proposed in the application, as amended.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order 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 the public.

3. The authority granted herein shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of OCTOBER, 1978.

President
William J. Gannon

Raymond L. Sturgeon

Richard P. Gwalt

Clare J. Deziel
Commissioners