

Decision No. 90466 JUN 19 1979

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff)	
Bureau, Inc. under the Shortened)	Shortened Procedure
Procedure Tariff Docket to publish)	Tariff Docket
in its Asphalt Tariff No. 19, Cal.)	Application No. 58831
P.U.C. No. 26, tariff provisions)	(Filed April 30, 1979)
resulting in increases in rates)	
for the account of Oil Transport)	
Co., Inc.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of Oil Transport, Inc. (OILI) to increase the minimum and spreading charges for the transportation of asphalt in tank truck, in bulk, published in Item 120(c)(3) and Item 240 of WMTB's Local Freight Tariff No. 19, Cal. P.U.C. No. 26 (WMT 19).

Applicant alleges that historically the rates for transporting asphalt which has to be spread have been higher than the rates for transporting other asphalt because spreader type equipment is more costly to the carrier. Applicant states that the additional weight of the spreading equipment also reduces the amount of asphalt which can be transported. Applicant further avers that the equipment costs which underlie the Commission's Minimum Rate Tariff 6-B have soared. The proposal herein by OILI is designed to offset these higher cost factors.

WMTB has been informed by OILI that the proposed tariff changes would increase its yearly revenue by approximately \$2,000. The increase resulting from the proposal herein would not increase OILI's California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent and, as such, is within the President's wage-price guidelines.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of May 2, 1979. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the proposed changes 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 Oil Transport, Inc., is hereby authorized to publish in its Local Freight Tariff No. 19, Cal. P.U.C. No. 26, the amendments as specifically set forth in its 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 effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of JUNE, 1979.

John E. Byrne
President
Herbert L. Thompson
Richard D. Koval
Clare J. DeBrieff
Leonard M. Perini
Commissioners