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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of James F. Hauser, Vice-President and Tariff Publishing Officer of Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau, for and on behalf of G&J Freight, Inc., by virtue of Power of Attorney to said Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau, under) Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket,) to amend Item 315 of Pacific Coast) Tariff Bureau, Agent, Tariff No. ICC PCT 301 (Formerly Tariff No. 16-A), Cal. P.U.C. No. ', to publish increased rates and charges applicable to the transportation of Fertilizing Compounds) (Manufactured Fertilizers), Insecticides and Fungicides, to the extent outlined in Exhibit "B") attached hereto and by reference thereto, made a part of this application.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 59255 (Filed November 5, 1979)

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For authority to depart from the terms of Sections 454 and 491 of the Public Utilities Code when accomplishing proposed publication.

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, James F. Hauser, Tariff Publishing Officer, Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau (PCTB), seeks authority, on behalf of G&J Freight, Inc. (G&J), to amend Item 315 of PCTB Local, Joint and Proportional Freight Tariff No. ICC PCT 301, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, by increasing the distance rates for the transportation of fertilizing compounds (manufactured fertilizers), insecticides and fungicides by an average increase of 10.5 percent.

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Applicant declares that the commodity rates in Item 315 were originally established for the account of G&J effective February 26, 1968, and that the rates have not been increased since June 5, 1974. Consequently, in order for G&J, to offset a portion of the increased costs for labor, vehicle parts, fuel and other operating expenses that have been passed on to them, it desires to increase rates in Item 315 to the basis set forth in Exhibit B of its application. Applicant further states that all of the commodities embraced by this application are exempt from minimum rate regulation as provided for in Items 40 and 41 of Minimum Rate Tariff 2.

Applicant has been advised by G&J that the proposed increases in Item 315 would increase its yearly revenue by approximately \$1,000 and that if the application is granted would not increase G&J's gross revenue on California intrastate traffic by as much as one percent. The amount of increase is within the President's wage-price guidelines.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 6, 1979. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that increases resulting from the proposal herein are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. James F. Hauser, Tariff Publishing Officer, Pacific Coast Tariff Bureau, is hereby authorized, on behalf of G&J Freight, Inc., to publish increased rates in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight Tariff No. ICC PCT 301, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1, as specifically proposed in the application.

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

This order shall become effective thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated _________, at San Francisco, California.