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Decision No.

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)
Delta Express, Inc. and Delta)
Lines, Inc., to amend Item 1980)
of Bureau Tariff 111, Cal. P.U.C.)
No. 15, which results in an)
increase.)

Shortened Procedure
Tariff Docket
Application No. 59451
(Filed February 13, 1980)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, (WMTB), seeks authority on behalf of Delta Express, Inc., and Delta Lines, Inc. to amend an item in WMTB's Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15 and to cancel participation in certain items in WMTB's Exception Sheet No. 1-B, CA. P.U.C. No. 34.

By the amendments, the two aforesaid carriers seek to assess different class ratings than presently authorized on truckload shipments of plastic or rubber articles, expanded, or NOI, other than expanded. Currently, for example, the carriers assess the class 100 rating on truckload shipments of the aforesaid commodities weighing 16,000 pounds. Under the proposal, a class rating of 70 would be applied, with a minimum truckload shipment weight of 16,000 pounds. Applicant states that the carriers also seek similar reductions in class ratings for shipments tendered with a minimum weight of 21,000 and 30,000 pounds, respectively.^{1/}

The applicant states that the proposals will actually result in reduction in freight charges. However, authority is being sought

1/ The carriers seek to apply Items 156600 (Sub No. 9) and 157320 (Sub No. 9) of the National Motor Freight Classification NMF 100-F, which set forth the ratings and minimum truckload weights, for the commodities involved with one exception: Carriers seek exclusion from the application of the Class 100 rating on shipments weighing a minimum of 10,000 pounds.

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for these changes since increases will result due to tariff publication technicalities in amending the tariff items. In no event would the proposed publication increase the California intrastate gross revenues of the carriers as much as one percent. The increases are within the President's wage-price guidelines.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of February 14, 1980. 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. In order to permit Delta Express, Inc. and Delta Lines, Inc. to provide these services as soon as possible and fulfill the needs of commerce with adequate rates, the application will be granted effective on the date of this order.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, on behalf of Delta Express, Inc. and Delta Lines, Inc., is hereby authorized to publish in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15 and Exception Sheet No. 1-B, CA. P.U.C. No. 34, the amendments as 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.

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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 is the date hereof.

Dated MAY 6 1980, at San Francisco, California.

John E. Bryan
President
Vernon L. Sturgeon
Richard W. Kivela
Alvin J. Pedrial
James M. Smith
Commissioners