

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 92043 JUL 15 1980

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc. under the)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket)	Shortened Procedure
for and on behalf of Asbury Trans-)	Tariff Docket
portation Co. to publish pro-)	Application No. 59648
visions resulting in increases by)	(Filed May 12, 1980)
joining a tariff item applicable)	
on marine deliveries.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB), seeks authority on behalf of Asbury Transportation Co. (Asbury) to include Asbury in the provisions of Item 475 (hourly rates) of its Local and Joint Freight and Express Tariff No. 18, Cal. P.U.C. No. 24.

WMTB alleges the participation of Asbury in Item 475 is primarily for the purpose of handling deliveries to ships at various ports in California. The expense involved for special high pressure pump hoses, by-pass cargo pumps and other safety precautions required by the U.S. Coast Guard precludes any lesser charge. Because of the unknown time element involved in this type of operation, an hourly rate is much more practical from a carrier standpoint. Asbury is of the opinion that present tariff provisions do not fully compensate the carrier for these operations. Asbury does find it difficult to render service at profitable rates under the present tariff when its equipment, driver, supervisory personnel, extra hose and other additional equipment are all involved in a single delivery.

WMTB avers that Asbury estimates that if the proposal is granted it would increase its annual revenues by approximately \$12,500. In no event would the proposed publication increase the California intrastate gross revenues of Asbury by 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 May 14, 1980. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the proposed change is 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 Asbury Transportation Co., is authorized to publish in its Local and Joint Freight and Express Tariff No. 13, Cal. P.U.C. No. 24 the amendments 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 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 JUL 15 1980, at San Francisco, California.

John E. Bryan
President

James L. Stevenson

Robert W. Hoyle

Charles J. Dreding

Samuel W. James
Commissioners