

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 92215 SEP 3 - 1980

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor)	
Tariff Bureau, Inc., under the)	Shortened Procedure
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket)	Tariff Docket
to publish for and on behalf of)	Application No. 59738
Samjo, Inc., d.b.a. Smiser)	(Filed June 16, 1980)
Freight Service, to amend Item)	
1980 of Bureau Tariff 111, Cal.)	
P.U.C. No. 15, which results in)	
an increase.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, (WMTB), seeks authority on behalf of Samjo, Inc., dba Smiser Freight Service (Smiser) to amend an item in Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15 concerning the assessment of freight charges when transporting plastic or rubber articles.^{1/}

WMTB states that Smiser seeks to discontinue the application of the present truckload rating of Class 100, minimum weight 10,000 pounds when charges are assessed for the transportation of plastic or rubber articles.^{1/} Instead, Smiser seeks to assess the class rating of 70, minimum weight 16,000 pounds for the commodities involved. Comparable reductions in ratings with higher minimum weight increments are also proposed. In addition, however, Smiser seeks to participate in Item 1980 (Paragraph 4(A)) of the tariff which would permit Smiser to continue assessing the Class 100 rating, minimum weight 10,000 pounds, if a shipment tendered is mixed, and the total weight of the commodities, plastic or rubber articles, does not exceed 40 percent of the actual weight of the shipment. Smiser contends that presently it is not receiving sufficient revenue to recover costs when providing transportation consisting of bulky shipments of less than 16,000 pounds.

^{1/} WMTB's Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, names class and commodity rates of general commodities for various participating common carriers.

Applicant has been advised by Smiser that granting of the proposal herein will increase its gross California intrastate revenues by approximately \$2,500 annually. This amount would not increase Smiser's California intrastate revenue by as much as one percent. The increase is within the President's wage-price guidelines.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of June 18, 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 Smiser 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, is hereby authorized, on behalf of Samjo, Inc., dba Smiser Freight Service, to publish in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, 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.

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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 SEP 3 - 1980, at San Francisco, California.

John E. Byron
President

Vernon L. Stinson

Richard W. Lovell

Clare T. Delia

Samuel W. Jones
Commissioners