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Decision No. 92469 DEC 2- 1980

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of H.R. Brandl under the)	
Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket to)	Shortened Procedure
publish increases in certain charges)	Tariff Docket
for Mechanical Protective Service con-))	Application No. 59968
tained in Section 7 of Perishable)	(Filed September 22, 1980)
Protective Tariff PPT 619.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, H.R. Brandl, Agent, National Perishable Freight Committee, seeks to increase its charges for various mechanical protective services, provided by railroad participants, by 8.8 percent in Perishable Protective Service Tariff PPT 619 to offset increases in fuel costs.

Applicant states that it has on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission Supplement 55 to its tariff and it was filed in accordance with procedures established under Ex Parte 311, Expedited Procedures for Recovery of Fuel Costs, which covered an increase of 8.8 percent in charges for mechanical protective services, except for non-application on California intrastate traffic. Supplement 55 became effective April 10, 1980, on interstate traffic, and the increases provided therein have now been incorporated in appropriate charges contained in Section 7 of Supplement 64 to the tariff.

Because of their desire to continue to offset significantly higher fuel costs also experienced in providing mechanical protective services on shipments transported within California, interested

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carriers respectively request, under expedited procedures, to place a corresponding 8.8 percent increase in effect as soon as possible on California intrastate traffic.

Applicant alleges that Southern Pacific Transportation Company transported approximately 154 shipments within California during the year 1979 under mechanical protective service, with resulting revenue from such service of \$12,804. Similar shipments on other California lines were very negligible. Applicant states that the granting of this application would result in an increase of approximately \$1,127^{per year} and would not increase the California carriers' intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent. The increase is within the President's wage-price guidelines. ✓
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The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 29, 1980. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the increases resulting from the proposal herein are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted as indicated in the ensuing order and the effective date of this order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. National Perishable Freight Committee, H.R. Brandl, Agent, on behalf of all carriers participating in its Perishable Protective Tariff PPT 619, is hereby authorized to publish amendments to its tariff as specifically proposed in the application.

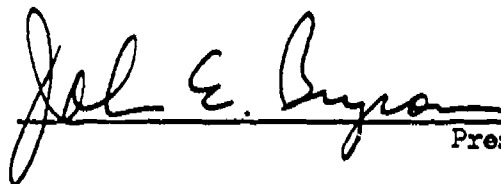
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2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

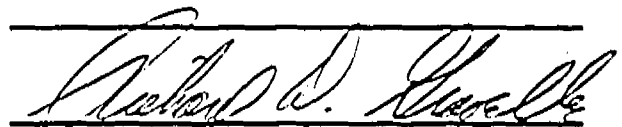
3. The authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

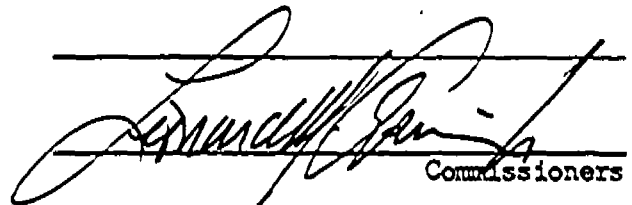
The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated DEC 2 - 1980, at San Francisco, California.



President





Commissioners

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Clair T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.