Decision No. <u>92736</u> FEB 18 1981 BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA Application of Western Motor Tariff )

Bureau, Inc., Agent, under Shortened) Procedure Tariff Docket to publish ) for and on behalf of those carriers ) specifically set forth in Exhibit ) "A" provisions resulting in ) increases because of proposed can- ) cellation and/or amendment of ) certain commodity rates and ) exception classes in its Tariff 111,) CA PUC 15, provisions resulting in ) increases in rates. )

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 60085 (Filed November 17, 1980)

## OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB) seeks authority for and on behalf of ten carriers, $\frac{1}{}$ who are participants in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff 111, Cal. P.U.C. 15, to cancel the carriers' participation in various items in the tariff.

WMTB states that the carriers have published numerous competitive rates on a variety of commodities. In most cases, their participation was included merely to be competitive with carriers who proposed the rate items, and with no knowledge on their part of any actual movement and with no positive assurance of gaining traffic. As

17	The carriers are:	
	Atlas Freight Lines, Inc. Fisk Trucking and Transfer Company	Peters Truck Lines Redball Motor Freight, Inc.
	Haslett Company IML Freight, Inc.	Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company
	Pacific Intermountain Express Co.	Smith Transportation Co. Transcon Lines

a result, a majority of these rates that were participated in by applicant carriers rarely moved any of the traffic. These publications have resulted in an accumulation of commodity rates which no longer move any traffic due to the change of traffic patterns or other conditions. Applicant carriers have completed a review of the rates proposed for cancellation and have determined that continuance of their participation in commodity rates where no traffic is tendered serves no useful purpose.

WMTB avers that if the proposal is granted, the carriers will not increase their gross California intrastate revenue by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of November 19, 1980. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that:

1. The proposed changes are justified.

2. The order which follows complies with the highway carrier energy efficiency guidelines in Decision 92541.

3. 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 is authorized to publish in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff 111, Cal. P.U.C. 15, the amendments specifically proposed in the application.

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2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order 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 \_\_\_\_\_FEB 12 1981 , at San Francisco, California.

Commissioners