

T/FS

Decision 93100 MAY 19 1981

ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor Tariff )	
Bureau, Inc., under Shortened )	Shortened Procedure
Procedure Tariff Docket for and on )	Tariff Docket
behalf of Peters Truck Lines, to )	Application 60354
amend Bureau Tariff 170 which )	(Filed March 12, 1981)
results in increases. )	

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of Peters Truck Lines (Peters) to amend WMTB Tariff 170, CA P.U.C. 51 by amending Item 848-3 (RELEASED VALUATIONS) to include Peters as a participant.

WMTB states that Peters has been informed by various shippers of high value merchandise that they often are unable to obtain transportation due to the extraordinary value of merchandise shipped due to the restrictions contained in Item 780 of the National Motor Freight Classification. WMTB further states that there is a definite need for such service involving high value shipments, but these shipments invariably entail special arrangements with carrier's drivers, helpers and other employees, leading to increased expenses which are presently being absorbed by Peters since no additional charges are applicable.

WMTB indicates that the proposal is not considered to be a major action significantly affecting energy efficiency within the meaning of Sections 3502.1 and 3502.2 of the Public Utilities Code.

According to WMTB, the amendment to provide for a released valuation charge will increase Peters' annual revenue by an estimated \$500 and in no event will the proposal herein increase carrier's California intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of March 16, 1981. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. There is a need for transport service involving high value merchandise.
2. Additional costs are entailed in transporting high value merchandise.
3. The following order has no reasonably foreseeable impact on the energy efficiency of highway carriers.
4. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order, which should be effective on the date of signature because there is an immediate need for rate relief.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent is authorized on behalf of Peters Truck Lines to amend its Tariff 170, CA P.U.C. 51 as proposed in the 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.

SPT A.60354 T/FS

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

This order is effective today.

Dated MAY 19 1981, at San Francisco, California.

John E. Bryson  
President  
Richard D. [unclear]  
[unclear]  
[unclear]  
Prudence C. Green  
Commissioners