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Decision 93167 JUN 2 1981

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Application of Western Motor )  
 Tariff Bureau, Inc., under the )  
 Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket )  
 to publish for and on behalf of )  
 various carriers, tariff provi- )  
 sions resulting in an increase in )  
 total freight charges for move- )  
 ment of Cement to specified )  
 points. )

Shortened Procedure  
 Tariff Docket  
 Application 60382  
 (Filed March 20, 1981)

O P I N I O N

By this application Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, (WMTB) seeks authority for and on behalf of the participants in its WMTB Local Freight Tariff 17, Cal. P.U.C. 21 (WMTB 17), to publish amendments to the tariff which will result in increases.

WMTB 17 contains rules, regulations, and rates governing the transportation of cement by highway common carriers. The application addresses cement traffic to destination points in mountainous areas of Northern California. These destinations are beyond the named points in Distance Table 8 which are used for determining the constructive mileage being traveled. WMTB is seeking to establish rates on this traffic which will reflect the carrier's cost of performing the service.

Commission Decision 92287, dated October 8, 1980 in Application 59827, addressed a segment of this traffic. WMTB now seeks

to amend the provisions therein which were applicable for the account of a single carrier based upon a combination of mileages. The amendment provides for a method to compute a combination of rates which will reflect carrier costs when traversing these mountainous areas.

WMTB is also seeking to add a provision for situations which arise when a carrier is required to disconnect "doubles" equipment to effect a delivery. Carriers performing this service have experienced substantial out-of-pocket expenses.

WMTB finds that projecting increases resulting from this proposal could only be speculative. Increases will result only when construction projects are started in areas wherein the type of operations subject <sup>to</sup> of the amendments are utilized. In no event will the carriers participating increase their intrastate gross revenue by as much as one percent.

WMTB states, "(T)his 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."

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of March 25, 1981. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. WMTB operates as a rate bureau pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 496.

2. WMTB seeks to publish amendments to its Local Freight Tariff 17 which will result in increases.

3. The amendments will reflect carrier costs experienced when performing the services.

4. The amendments should not increase the gross revenue of any participating carrier by as much as one percent.

5. A public hearing is not necessary.

6. The following order has no reasonably foreseeable impact on the energy efficiency of highway carriers.

Conclusion of Law

The application should be granted to the extent set forth in the ensuing order.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

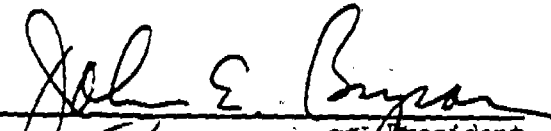



1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent is hereby authorized on behalf of participating carriers to amend its Local Freight Tariff 17, Cal. P.U.C. 21 as specifically proposed in the application.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this 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 90 days after the effective date of this order.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated JUN 2 1981, San Francisco, California.

  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Priscilla C. Grew, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.