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Decision 93712 NOV 3 1981

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor
 Tariff Bureau, Inc., under
 Shortened Procedure Tariff
 Docket for and on behalf of
 California Cartage Company,
 Inc., to amend Bureau Tariff
 170 which results in increases.

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) Shortened Procedure
) Tariff Docket
) Application 60890
) (Filed September 8, 1981)
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O P I N I O N

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of California Cartage Company, Inc., (Cartage) to amend WMTB Tariff 170, CA PUC 51 by amending Item 848-3 (RELEASED VALUATIONS) to include Cartage as a participant.

WMTB states that Cartage has been informed by various shippers of high-value merchandise that they often are unable to obtain transportation for merchandise of extraordinary value 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 Cartage 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 Public Utilities Code Sections 3502.1 and 3502.2.

According to WMTB, the amendment to provide for a released valuation charge will increase Cartage's annual revenue by an estimated \$10,000 and in no event will this increase carrier's California intrastate gross revenue by as much as 1%.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of September 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 expenses 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

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§§ The application should be granted; the rates are just and reasonable. ^Tthe following order should be effective on the date of signature because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent is authorized on behalf of California Cartage Company, Inc., to amend its Tariff 170, CA PUC 51 as 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.

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3. The authority granted shall expire unless exercised within 90 days after the effective date of the order.

This order is effective today.

Dated NOV 3 1981, at San Francisco, California.

JOHN E. EBYSON
President
RICHARD D. GRAVELLE
LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.
VICTOR CALVO
PRISCILLA C. CREW
Commissioners

I certify that this Revision was approved by the above Commissioners today.

John E. Ebyson