

Decision 93814 DEC - 1981

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Westcoast Motor
Tariff Bureau, Inc., under the
Shortened Procedure Docket to
publish for and on behalf of
Norm's Delivery Service, Inc.,
tariff provisions resulting in
increases because of the
publication of the 1,000 pound
minimum weight requirements in
Items 150 and 530 of (Sic) Cal PUC
No. 3.

Shortened Procedure
Tariff Docket
Application 60957
(Filed September 30, 1981)

O P I N I O N

By this application, Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent (Westcoast), seeks on behalf of Norm's Delivery Service, Inc. (Norm's) authority to change its minimum charge rule (Item 150) and its Metropolitan Los Angeles Area shipment charges (Item 530), of Westcoast Local and Joint Freight Tariff No. 1, Cal PUC No. 3, by making both items subject to a minimum weight of 1,000 pounds.

Norm's became a highway common carrier by operation of the law under Senate Bill 860 effective April 30, 1980. With the new authority came the requirement that Norm's accept all shipments regardless of their size, weight, origin, or destination.

Norm's, according to applicant, is an extremely specialized carrier of aircraft engines and parts for most of the major airlines between points and places within California. Applicant states that Norm's must have equipment available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to handle late evening and early morning pick-up and delivery requests by the airlines. Norm's has determined that furnishing transportation services under these conditions does not give it a fair return under the present rates.

This 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. If anything, it may encourage consolidating shipments which will tend to reduce trips and energy consumption.

Westcoast has been advised by Norm's that in the event the application is granted and the resulting publication is made, its gross revenue insofar as California intrastate traffic is concerned will not increase by as much as 1% percent.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 5, 1981. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

Findings of Fact

1. The proposal will provide an incentive to shippers to consolidate small shipments and thus, may increase carrier efficiency and reduce fuel consumption.

2. The increases and tariff changes resulting from this proposal are justified.

3. A public hearing is not necessary.

Conclusion of Law

The proposed tariff changes are justified and should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Applicant Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, on behalf of Norm's Delivery Service, Inc., is authorized to establish the increased rates 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 5 days after the effective date of this order on not less than 5 days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

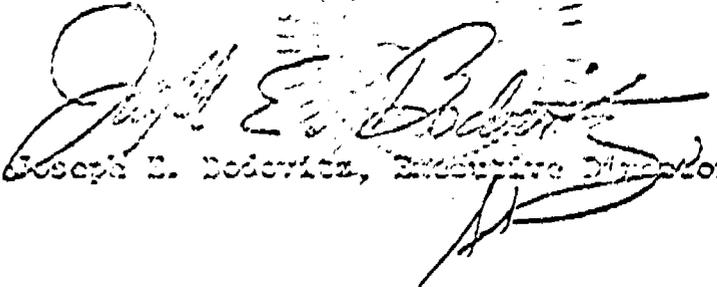
3. The authority shall expire unless exercised within 90 days after the effective date of this order.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated DEC 1 1981, at San Francisco, California.

JOHN E. DRYSON
President
RICHARD D. GRAVELLE
LEONARD M. GRIMES, JR.
WALTER CALVO
MARSHALL A. CREW
Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE
COMMISSIONERS TODAY.


Joseph E. Bodovitz, Executive Director