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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution No. TS- 681
Transportation Division
General Order 154 and
Public Utilities Code
Section 496

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE AUTHORITY OF GOLDEN STATE TARIFF BUREAU
AND WESTCOAST MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU TO ENGAGE IN COLLECTIVE
RATEMAKING UNDER PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 496

The Commission adopted General Order (G.O.) 154 on November 5, 1986 by Decision 86-11-026, in Case 10368, et al, effective January 1, 1987. G.O. 154 implemented rules governing the organization and operation of rate bureaus and their common carrier members engaged in collective ratemaking under Section 496 of the Public Utilities Code. A copy of G.O. 154 was served via the United States Postal Services on all parties of record in the consolidated re-regulation proceedings and on each highway common carrier, cement carrier and express corporation.

Rule 4.8 of G.O. 154 requires collective ratemaking agreements approved prior to January 1, 1987 that do not conform to the rules established in G.O. 154 be amended or reissued. Such amendments or reissuance was to have been filed no later than April 30, 1987. The Commission indicated that failure of a rate bureau to comply with this rule would result in the automatic suspension of the bureaus' authority to conduct collective ratemaking.

Golden State Tariff Bureau, 4795 Old Redwood Highway, Suite B, Santa Rosa, CA. 95401, and Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau, 8024 Telegraph Road, Downey, CA. 90240, are tariff bureaus with Section 496 agreements on file with the Commission that do not conform to G.O. 154. There have been no amendments or reissues filed by either of these two bureaus, as required by the general order.

The Commission finds that Golden State Tariff Bureau and Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau have failed to comply with Rule 4.8 of G.O. 154 and concludes that their authority granted under Section 496 of the Public Utilities Code to conduct collective ratemaking should be suspended. In the event the bureaus file the amended or reissued agreement required by G.O. 154, the Executive Director should be delegated authority as a ministerial action to reinstate their suspended authority.

IT IS ORDERED that the authority of Golden State Tariff Bureau, and of Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau, and their respective members to engage in collective ratemaking is suspended 30 days after the effective date of this order.

The Executive Director is authorized to reinstate the suspended authority upon full compliance of Golden State Tariff Bureau and Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau with the requirements of General Order 154.

The Executive Director shall cause service of a copy of this resolution upon Golden State Tariff Bureau and Westcoast Motor Tariff Bureau by the United States Postal Service at their latest addresses of record on file with the Commission.

This resolution is effective today.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on August 12, 1987. The following Commissioners voted favorably:

DONALD VIAL
FREDERICK R. DUDA
JOHN B. OHANIAN, Commissioners


Executive Director

Commissioner Stanley W. Hulett, being necessarily absent, did not participate.

Commissioner G. Mitchell Wilk, being necessarily absent, did not participate.