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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheet

BUREAU AGENDA NO. 2.

REPORT DATE: July 10, 2008

4. **SECTION(S):** MCS&E

Transportation & Safety **BUREAU:** 3.

APPROVED BY:

Director: Mgr/Spvr:

Hoffman Bingaman

5. PUBLIC MEETING DATE:

AUG-2008-TSM-0135*

August 21, 2008

Legal Review:

7. PERSONS IN CHARGE:

> Rinehart 7-5513

DOCKET NO.: A-00091652; A-00121979; A-00086317; A-00119007; R-2008-2047500

9. EFFECTIVE DATE OF FILING:

August 25, 2008

10. (a) CAPTION (abbreviate if more than 4 lines)

- (b) Short summary of history & facts, documents & briefs
- (c) Recommendation

- (a) TRISTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS TARIFF CONFERENCE, INC. MEMBERS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY **INCREASE IN RATES**
- (b) Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc. ("Tristate") filed on June 24, 2008, a 10th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight PA PUC No. 50 on behalf of McKean & Burt, Inc., t/d/b/a All Ways Moving & Storage; Central Van & Storage of Charleston, Inc., t/d/b/a Central Van & Storage Company, Inc.; Starck Van Lines, Inc., and Williams Moving & Storage, Inc. These carriers furnish household goods in use services originating in Washington County, as more thoroughly described in the Commission Orders which grant authority at A-00091652, A-00121979, A-00086317, and A-00119007. The current hourly 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge is \$95.00 per hour. Tristate proposes an increase to \$114.00 per hour (20%). The current hourly rate has been in effect since October 10, 2005. None of the involved have any outstanding fines or assessments.
- (c) The Bureau recommends that the 10th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight PA PUC No. 50 be approved to become effective on August 25, 2008.

11. MOTION BY: Commissioner Chm. Cawley

Commissioner Powelson - Yes Commissioner Pizzingrilli - Yes

SECONDED: Commissioner VC Christy

Commissioner Gardner - Yes

CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.

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August 22, 2008

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KENNETH D SATALOFF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TRISTATE HHG TARIFF CONFERENCE INC PO BOX 1385 MT LAUREL NJ 08054-7358

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

V.

Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc.
Members in Washington County

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on August 21, 2008 adopted an Order in the above entitled proceeding.

An Order has been enclosed for your records.

Very truly yours,

James J. McNulty

Secretary

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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Public Meeting held August 21, 2008

Commissioners Present:

James H. Cawley, Chairman Robert F. Powelson Tyrone J. Christy Kim Pizzingrilli Wayne E. Gardner

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

A-00091652, et al. R-2008-2047500

Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc. Members in Washington County

ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc. ("Tristate") filed a 10th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight PA PUC No. 50 on June 24, 2008, and proposes a total increase in intrastate revenues of \$60,644 to cover increased wage and fringe benefit expenses for four of its members domiciled in Washington County transporting shipments of household goods in use distances of 40 miles or less, as more thoroughly described in the Commission Orders which grant authority at A-00091652, A-00121979, A-00086317, and A-00119007.

Financial records and other supporting data were filed in support of its request for an increase in rates. The request is certified to the Commission for its decision without an oral hearing. The record consists of the proposed tariff for an increase in rates, financial records, and other data in support of the request.

DISCUSSION

Tristate proposes to increase the hourly 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge by 20%, to \$114.00 per hour. The current hourly rate for these members furnishing service originating in Washington County is \$95.00 per hour. The current rates have been in effect since October 10, 2005.

The affected carriers subject to the 10th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight PA PUC No. 50 are: McKean & Burt, Inc., t/d/b/a All Ways Moving & Storage (A-00091652); Central Van &

Storage of Charleston, Inc., t/d/b/a Central Van and Storage Company, Inc. (A-00121979); Starck Van Lines, Inc. (A-00086317); and Williams Moving & Storage, Inc. (A-00119007).

Tristate has submitted a wage and fringe benefit cost study for the participating members furnishing service originating in Washington County in support of the proposed hourly increase indicating that the increase is necessary to cover the cost of operating. Employee wages and fringe benefits have increased from \$24.09 per hour in 2005 to \$26.36 per hour in 2008.

The total 2007 revenue for the carriers is \$13,837,793. The total intrastate revenue for the carriers is \$7,385,437 and the total interstate revenue for the carriers is \$6,452,356.

ANALYSIS

In order to generate this revenue increase, Tristate proposes to increase the hourly 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge by 20%, to \$114.00 per hour, for all participating members furnishing service originating in Washington County. Tristate currently charges \$95.00 per hour.

CONCLUSION

We have determined that Tristate has submitted the documentary justification to support the proposed intrastate revenue increase of \$60,644 and that the increase is not of an excessive amount based on the average operating ratio of 99%. It is our opinion that the increase will be sufficient to provide safe, dependable and continuous service to the public: THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That the 10th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight PA PUC No. 50 be approved to become effective on August 25, 2008.
- 2. That a copy of this Order be served upon the carriers who are participating members furnishing service originating in Washington County.

BY THE COMMISSION,

James J. McNulty

Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED:

August 21, 2008

ORDER ENTERED:

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2. Article Number 7160 3901 9843 2279 9044 3. Service Type CERTIFIED MAIL 4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) Yes 1. Article Addressed to: A TAL M A MO 91652 et al	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY A Received by (Please Print Clearly) C. Signature X Agent Addressee D. Is delivery address different from item 1? If YES, state delivery address below: No No
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