# PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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SECTION(S): M. C. S. & E. **PUBLIC MEETING DATE:** 

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9. EFFECTIVE DATE OF FILING:

January 17, 2005

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

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

(c) Recommendation

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(a) DEBO MOVING & STORAGE, INC. **INCREASE IN RATES** 

- (b) Debo Moving & Storage, Inc. (carrier) furnishes household goods in use services originating in Beaver County, Allegheny County, and Mercer County as thoroughly described in their official tariff. Carrier has filed Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 10 on June 28, 2004 and proposes an increase in total revenues of \$184,555 of which \$50,150 would come from intrastate revenues, and \$134,405 would come from interstate revenues. The proposed rate increase is to cover increased operating expenses. Carrier has calculated that the increase will produce additional PUC revenues of \$50,150. Carrier proposes to increase its hourly three (3) men and vehicle normal complement charge by 9.2%. Carrier currently charges \$87.00 per hour and proposes an increase to \$95.00 per hour. The current rates have been in effect since June 11, 1999.
- (c) The Bureau recommends that Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 10 be approved to become effective on January 17, 2005.

10. MOTION BY: Commissioner Chm. Holland

Commissioner Thomas - Yes

**SECONDED:** Commissioner Bloom

Commissioner Pizzingrilli - Yes

Commissioner

**CONTENT OF MOTION:** Staff recommendation adopted.

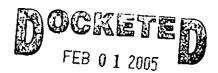


# COMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANDE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265

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DEBO MOVING AND STORAGE INC PO BOX 278 NEW BRIGHTON PA 15066



Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v.
Debo Moving & Storage, Inc.

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on January 13, 2005 has 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, Pennsylvania 17105-3265

Public Meeting held January 13, 2005

#### Commissioners Present:

Wendell F. Holland, Chairman Robert K. Bloom, Vice Chairman Glen R. Thomas Kim Pizzingrilli

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

Debo Moving & Storage, Inc.





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#### ORDER

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

Debo Moving & Storage, Inc. (carrier) furnishes household goods in use services originating in Beaver County, Allegheny County, and Mercer County as thoroughly described in their official tariff.

Carrier has filed Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 10 on June 28, 2004 and proposes an increase in total revenues of \$184,555 of which \$50,150 would come from intrastate revenues, and \$134,405 would come from interstate revenues. The proposed rate increase is to cover increased operating expenses.

Carrier proposes to increase its hourly three (3) men and vehicle normal complement charge by 9.2%. Carrier currently charges \$87.00 per hour and proposes an increase to \$95.00 per hour.

Carrier's total 2003 revenue is \$2,360,159. Carrier's total intrastate revenue is \$632,815. Carrier's total interstate revenue is \$1,344,050.

Carrier requests that the revised tariff pages become effective January 17, 2005. The current rates have been in effect since June 11, 1999.

The carrier has submitted financial records and supporting data which strongly supports its request. Carrier has calculated that the increase will produce additional PUC revenues of \$50,150.

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# INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 2003 TO DECEMBER 31, 2003 CARRIER PROJECTED TOTALS

<u>5.Muu</u>	Actual	Adjustments	Projection With Adjustments
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Operating Revenues:			
Interstate	\$ 1,344,050	\$ 134,405	\$ 1,478,455
Intrastate	632,815	50,150	682,965
Packing, Storage, &			
Miscellaneous Operating Revenue	383,294	-	389,043
Total Revenues:	\$2,360,159	\$184,555	\$2,550,463
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<b>Operating Expenses:</b>			
Maintenance	\$ 68,150	\$ 12,000	\$ 80,150
Transportation	793,586	14,600	808,186
Employee Expenses	780,152	15,600	795,752
Insurance	123,807	2,500	126,307
Administrative	225,209	10,000	235,209
Taxes and Licenses	91,718	5,000	96,718
Depreciation	80,809	57,000	137,809
Rent or Building Expenses	78,558	5,000	83,558
Officers Salaries	112,200	-	112,200
Total Expenses:	\$2,354,189	\$121,700	\$2,475,889
Total Income (loss):	\$5,970	\$62,855	\$74,574
Operating Ratio Before Taxes:	99.7%		97.1%

### COMPANY CLAIMED ADJUSTMENTS TO OPERATING EXPENSES

Maintenance expense – is projected to increase by \$12,000 or 17.6 % due to increase maintenance as equipment ages and the price increases for necessary parts and labor.

<u>Transportation expense</u> – is projected to increase by \$14,600 or 1.8% due to an increase in fuel prices. The carrier is not a party to the Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc.; therefore, the carrier is not eligible to utilize the fuel cost recovery surcharge.

Employee expense – is projected to increase by \$15,600 or 2% due to increases in wages.

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<u>Insurance expense</u> – is projected to increase in calendar year 2004 by \$2,500 or 2% due to purchase of new vehicles.

<u>Administration expense</u> – represents increased costs for 2004 of \$10,000 or 4% spent on additional computer equipment and server.

<u>Depreciation expense</u> – is projected to increase by \$57,000 or 71%. New equipment was purchased at a cost of \$154,369.92. This equipment will depreciate by an amount of \$57,000 in 2004.

<u>Taxes and licensing expense</u> – is projected to increase by \$5,000 or 5.4% over 2003.

Rent or building expenses – is projected to increase by \$5,000 or 6.4% due to building maintenance costs. A major factor in this increase is costs incurred for installation and upkeep of a new security system.

## **ANALYSIS**

Carrier proposes an increase in total revenues of \$184,555 of which \$50,150 would come from intrastate revenues, and \$134,405 would come from interstate revenues. The proposed rate increase is to cover increased operating expenses.

In order to generate this revenue increase, carrier proposes to increase its hourly three (3) men and vehicle normal complement charge by 9.2%. Carrier currently charges \$87.00 per hour and proposes an increase to \$95.00 per hour.

Staff review of Commission records reveals that:

Gardner Moving Company, Supplement No. 13 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 2, effective September 14, 2004 is charging \$95.00 per hour. Gardner Moving Company furnishes household goods in use service originating in Allegheny County as more thoroughly described in its official tariff.

#### CONCLUSION

We have determined that Debo Moving & Storage, Inc. has submitted the documentary justification to support the proposed revenue increase of \$184,555 and that the increase is not of an excessive amount based on the operating ratio. The carrier avers that the increase will be sufficient to provide safe, dependable and continuous service to the public: THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

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- 1. That Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 10 be approved to become effective on January, 17, 2005
- 2. That a copy of this order be served upon the carrier.

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James J. McNulty

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ORDER ADOPTED: January 13, 2005

ORDER ENTERED: JAN 1 3 2005

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