PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheet

REPORT DATE: July 19, 2004 1. BUREAU AGENDA NO. AUGUST-2004-TSM-0144 * 3. **BUREAU:** Transportation & Safety SECTION(S): M. C. S. & E. **PUBLIC MEETING DATE:** APPROVED BY: Hoffman: Director: 3-3846 August 5, 2004 Mgr/Spvr: Keezel: 3-5010 Legal Review: **PERSONS IN CHARGE:** Minder 7-1168 **DOCKET NO.: A-00108228** DOCUMENT R-00049660

- 9. (a) CAPTION (abbreviate if more than 4 lines)
 - (b) Short summary of history & facts, documents & briefs
 - (c) Recommendation
- (a) FAMBROSE MOVING INC INCREASE IN RATES
- (b) F. Ambrose Moving, Inc. furnishes household goods in use originating in Philadelphia and Delaware Counties, and transported distances of forty (40) miles or less as more thoroughly described in the official tariff. The carrier has filed Supplement 5 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 3. The carrier is requesting a 7.8% increase in the hourly charges to cover projected increases in insurance premiums of \$6,971. The proposed rates are to become effective August 9, 2004. A previous rate increase became effective June 17, 2002.
- (c) The Bureau recommends that Supplement 5 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 3 as filed by the carrier be permitted to become effective August 9, 2004.

10. MOTION BY: Commissioner Chm. Fitzpatrick

Commissioner Thomas - Yes
Commissioner Pizzingrilli - Yes

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SECONDED: Commissioner Bloom

Commissioner Holland - Yes

CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.

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F. AMBROSE MOVING, INC. 624 WILHELMINA AVENUE HORSHAM PA 19044



Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. F. Ambrose Moving, Inc.

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on August 5, 2004 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 August 5, 2004

Commissioners Present:

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

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F. Ambrose Moving, Inc.

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ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

F. Ambrose Moving, Inc., (carrier) furnishes household goods in use services originating in Philadelphia and Delaware Counties and transported distances of forty (40) miles or less as more thoroughly described in the official tariff.

The carrier has filed Supplement 5 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 3 on April 22, 2004 and proposes a total increase in intrastate revenues of \$14,563 to cover increased insurance expenses of \$6,971 and to improve profit margin by \$7,592. The carrier's operating ratio for 2003 was 97.1%. The current rates have been in effect since June 17, 2002.

Carrier proposes to increase its hourly 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge by 7.8%. Carrier currently charges \$102.00 per hour and proposes an increase to \$110.00 per hour.

Carrier's total 2003 household good revenue from intrastate operations is \$196,530 of which \$186,703 is derived from local intrastate operations.

Carrier has submitted a tariff and documentation, in compliance with 52 Pa. Code §23.67(c), for carriers of household goods in use, with gross annual intrastate revenues of less than \$200,000.

ANALYSIS

In order to generate this revenue increase, Carrier proposes to increase its 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge of \$102.00 per hour to \$110.00 per hour. We conclude that the data compiled and submitted by the carrier supports this increase.

Staff review of Commission records reveals that:

Alderfer, Sanford Transport, Inc., 4th Revised Page 21 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 54, effective June 30, 2003, is charging \$115.00 per hour.

Anthony Merone, Original Page 67-B to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 54, effective February 8, 2002, charges \$108.00 per hour.

<u>Jensen Movers & Storage, Inc.</u>, 8th Revised Page 59 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 54, effective June 28, 2002, is currently charging \$108.00 per hour. <u>Jensen Movers & Storage, Inc.</u>, currently has a request before the Commission to increase its hourly rate to \$118.00 per hour.

CONCLUSION

We have determined that F. Ambrose Moving, Inc., has submitted the documentary justification to support the proposed revenue increase of \$14,563, and that the increase is not of an excessive amount based on the operating ratio of 97.1%. The carrier avers that the increase will be sufficient to provide safe, dependable and continuous service to the public: THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Supplement 5 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 3 be approved to become effective August 9, 2004.
- 2. That a copy of this order be served upon the carrier.

James J/McNulty Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: August 5, 2004

ORDER ENTERED: AUG 0 5 2004

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