PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheet

1. REPORT DATE: September 14, 2005 2. BUREAU AGENDA NO.

OCT-2005-TSM-0263 R*

October 6, 2005

3. **BUREAU:** Transportation & Safety

4. SECTION(S): M. C. S. & E. 5. PUBLIC MEETING DATE:

6. APPROVED BY:

Director: Hoffman: 3-3846

Mgr/Spvr: Minder: 7-1168

Legal Review:

PERSONS IN CHARGE: 9. EFFECTIVE DATE OF FILING

Deitrich 214-7155 October 10, 2005

8. DOCKET NO.: A-00109593 et al (See Attached List)

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

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

(c) Recommendation

(a) Motor Carrier rate increase in accordance with 52 PA Code §23.67. Tristate Household Goods Conference, Inc., on behalf of all participating members of Washington County. Four (4) carriers are subject to this tariff.

(b) 9th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 50, applies to all participating carriers furnishing household goods in use service originating in the Washington county and transported distances of forty (40) miles or less as more thoroughly described in the official tariff. Tristate Household Goods Conference, Inc. is requesting a 9.2% increase in the hourly charges to cover projected increases in carrier's wage and fringe benefits expense. The proposed rates are to become effective October 10, 2005.

(c) The Bureau recommends that 9th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 50, as filed by Tristate Household Goods Conference, Inc. be permitted to become effective October 10, 2005.

11. MOTION BY: Commissioner Chm. Holland Commissioner Shane - Yes

SECONDED: Commissioner Cawley

Commissioner Pizzingrilli - Yes
Commissioner Fitzpatrick - Yes

CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.

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A-00109593 Anderson Transfer, Inc.

A-00094528 Fife Moving & Storage, Inc.

A-00086317 Starck Van Lines, Inc.

A-00091652 McKean & Burt, Inc., t/d/b/a All Ways Moving &

Storage

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-3265

Public Meeting held October 6, 2005

Commissioners Present:

Wendell F. Holland, Chairman James H. Cawley, Vice Chairman Bill Shane Kim Pizzingrilli Terrance J. Fitzpatrick

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Tristate Household Goods Conference

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ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc. (Tristate) has filed 9th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 50 on June 29, 2005 and proposes a total increase in revenues of \$59,258 to cover increased wage and fringe benefits for carriers in Washington County. The current rates have been in effect since September 2, 2002.

Tristate proposes to increase the hourly 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge by 9.2%. The current hourly rate for Washington County is \$87.00 per hour. Tristate proposes an increase to \$95.00 per hour.

Four (4) carriers are subject to the 9th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 50 for Washington County. These carriers include:

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A-00094528 Fife Moving & Storage, Inc.

A-00086317 Starck Van Lines, Inc.

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Tristate has submitted a wage/fringe benefit cost studies for 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 an average of \$19.17 per hour in 2002 to \$22.77 per hour in 2004 for a total 18.85% increase in labor cost.

ANALYSIS

In order to generate this revenue increase, carrier proposes to increase its 3 men and vehicle normal complement charge of \$87.00 per hour to \$95.00 per hour. We conclude that the data compiled and submitted by the carrier supports this increase.

CONCLUSION

We have determined that Tristate has submitted the documentary justification to support the proposed revenue increase of \$59,258 and that the increase is not an excessive amount based on the increase in operating expenses. Tristate avers that the increase will be sufficient for the carrier to provide safe, dependable and continuous service to the public: THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That 9th Revised Page 63 to Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 50 be approved to become effective October 10, 2005.
- 2. That a copy of this order be served upon Tristate Household Goods Tariff Conference, Inc.

James J. McNulty

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Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: October 6, 2005

ORDER ENTERED: OCT 0 6 2005



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TRISTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS TARIFF CONFERENCE INC. PO BOX 1385 MT LAUREL NJ 08054-7385 ATTN: KEN SATALOFF



Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

Tristate Household Goods Conference Representing 4 carriers in Washington County PA

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on October 6, 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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