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FISCHER-HUGHES TRANSPORT INC 6120 A EASTON ROAD PIPERSVILLE PA 18947

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION V. FISCHER-HUGHES TRANSPORT INC

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on November 29, 2007 adopted an Order in the above entitled proceeding.

An Order has been enclosed for your records.

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James J. McNulty Secretary

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-3265

Public Meeting held November 29, 2007

Commissioners Present:

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Wendell F. Holland, Chairman James H. Cawley, Vice Chairman Tyrone J. Christy Kim Pizzingrilli

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

Fischer-Hughes Transport, Inc.

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ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

Fischer-Hughes Transport, Inc. (Carrier) furnishes household goods in use services originating in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties, as thoroughly described in the order granting authority at Docket No. A-00103976 and A-00103976, F.1, Am-A.

Carrier has filed Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 9, financial records, and other supporting data in support of its request on August 13, 2007. Carrier was notified by letter dated September 20, 2007, that no additional information was required and that in accordance with 66 Pa. C.S. §1308(d), the tariffs would be suspended for a period not to exceed seven months from October 15, 2007. The request is certified to the Commission for its decision without an oral hearing. The record consists of the proposed tariff, financial records, and other supporting data in support of the request.

DISCUSSION

The carrier proposes an increase in total revenues of \$133,045, of which \$94,094 would be derived from interstate operations and \$38,951 would be derived from intrastate operations. The proposed rate increase is to improve the carrier's profit margin. The carrier's current operating ratio is 99.39% and the proposed increase would result in an operating ratio of 97.77%. Carrier proposes to increase the hourly three men and vehicle normal complement charge by 7.9% in order to generate this revenue increase. Carrier currently charges \$114 as compared to the proposed three man and vehicle charge of \$123.00 per hour. The current rates have been in effect since August 12, 2002. •

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 2006 TO DECEMBER 31, 2006 CARRIER PROJECTED TOTALS

	<u>Actual</u> \$	<u>Adjustments</u> \$	<u>Projection With</u> <u>Adjustments</u> \$
Operating Revenue:			
Interstate	4,924,97	6 94,094	5,019,070
Intrastate	2,876,64	9 38,951	2,915,600
Other Income	199,36	52	199,362
<u>Total Revenues:</u>	8,000,98	133,045	8,134,032
Operating Expenses:			
Maintenance	147,1'6	0	147,160
Transportation	4,534,76	7	4,534,767
Terminal	804,71	1	804,711
Traffic	757,45	3	757,453
Insurance	398,94	0	398,940
Administration	1,216,26	5	1,216,265
Taxes& Licenses	55,51	7	55,517
Depreciation	37,61	3	37,613
<u>Total Expenses:</u>	7,952,42	6	7,952,426
<u>Net Income:</u>	48,56	51 133,045	181,606
Operating Ratio:	99.39%	/o	97.77%

ANALYSIS

The carrier operated at a loss of \$150,801 for calendar year ending December 31, 2006. If not for the "non carrier" income of \$199,362, the carrier would not have had a net income of \$48,561. The carrier proposes an increase in total revenues of \$133,045 of which

\$94,094 would be derived from interstate operations and \$38,951 would be derived from intrastate operations. The proposed rate increase is to improve the carrier's profit margin.

Staff review of Commission records reveals that:

<u>Clemmer Moving and Storage, Inc.</u>, 8th Revised Page 31 to Tariff Freight-Pa. P.U.C. No. 54 (Tristate), effective April 17, 2006, provides for charges of \$139.00 per hour.

O'Malley Moving and Hauling, Inc., 5th Revised Page 74 to Tariff Freight-Pa. P.U.C. No. 54 (Tristate), effective September 13, 2004, provides for charges of \$128.00 per hour.

CONCLUSION

We have determined that Fischer-Hughes Transport, Inc. has submitted the documentary justification to support the proposed revenue increase of \$133,045 and that the increase is not of an excessive amount. 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 Tariff Freight Pa. PUC No. 9 be approved to become effective on December 3, 2007.
- 2. That a copy of this order be served upon the carrier.

BY THE COMMISSION

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James J. McNulty Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: November 29, 2007

ORDER ENTERED: NOV 2 9 2007