

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
WESTERN MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU, INC.)
For Approval on Short Notice)
to Increase Rates and Charges)
on Behalf of Motor Carriers)
Participating in WMTB's Passenger)
Carrier Tariff No. 8-C, Island)
of Oahu.)
WMTB Rate Notice No. 4362-8-C.)

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ORDER NO. 20580

Filed Oct. 17, 2003
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Karen Higashi
Chief Clerk of the Commission

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Chief Clerk, Public Utilities
Commission, State of Hawaii.

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ORDER

On July 7, 2003, WESTERN MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU, INC. ("WMTB") filed Rate Notice No. 4362-8-C ("Notice") requesting commission approval, on short notice, of a five (5) per cent across-the-board increase in its rates and charges (except limousine rates) for its Oahu-based member carriers that participate in WMTB's Passenger Carrier Tariff No. 8-C. WMTB filed a copy of the Notice on the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate"). On July 16, 2003, the Consumer Advocate filed its statement of position recommending that the commission approve the Notice without further review. The Consumer Advocate further advised that if the commission decided to review the Notice, due to its limited resources, it would not participate in the proceeding.


On July 18, 2003, the commission filed Order No. 20336, which denied WMTB's Notice, converted the Notice to a 30-day statutory filing, consistent with Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 271-21(c), and suspended the Notice for a period of up to five (5) months from the proposed effective date, up to and including January 7, 2004. On August 7, 2003, the commission issued approximately 150 information requests upon WMTB, and requested that they respond no later than September 8, 2003. On September 3, 2003, WMTB filed a letter indicating that it would not be able to complete the responses to the information requests by the September 8, 2003 deadline, and requesting an extension of time until September 17, 2003 to file its responses. On September 22, 2003, WMTB filed a second letter stating that it will be unable to complete the responses to the information requests and requesting to withdraw its Notice.

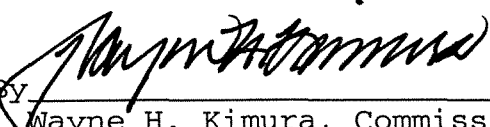
The commission finds good cause to allow WMTB to withdraw its Notice and to close this docket.

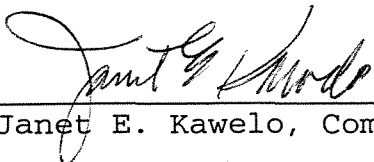
THE COMMISSION ORDERS that WMTB's request to withdraw Rate Notice No. 4362-8-C is granted, and that this docket is closed.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 17th day of October,
2003.

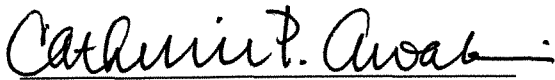
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By 
Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By 
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By 
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Catherine P. Awakuni
Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20580 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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DATED: October 17, 2003