# 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, on )

Behalf of: (1) Bering Sea Eccotech, )

Inc. WMTB Rate Notice No. 4477-14. )

DOCKET NO. 05-0027

ORDER NO. 21577

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Commission, State of Hawaii.

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#### **ORDER**

The commission approves, on short notice, Rate Notice No. 4477-14, filed by WESTERN MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU, INC. ("WMTB"), on behalf of BERING SEA ECCOTECH, INC. ("Bering Sea"), on January 25, 2005.

I.

#### Short Notice Filing

WMTB, on behalf of Bering Sea, seeks approval on short notice to establish and charge a new rate, effective from February 2, 2005.

On January 11, 2005, the commission issued to Bering Sea a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("CPCN"), authorizing Bering Sea to operate as a common carrier of specific commodities (black oil) over irregular routes on the island of Oahu.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>WMTB Rate Notice No. 4477-14, filed on January 25, 2005.

Bering Sea seeks to establish a rate of \$2.925 per barrel for black oil (low sulfur fuel oil) transported from Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.'s ("HECO") Barber's Point tank farm to HECO's Iwilei power plant.

According to HECO and Bering Sea:

- 1. HECO recently selected Bering Sea to transport its low sulfur fuel oil from HECO's Barber's Point tank farm to HECO's Iwilei power plant. Bering Sea is authorized by HECO to commence said transport services, beginning January 27, 2005.
- 2. WMTB's present general membership rate of \$2.39 per barrel does not sufficiently compensate Bering Sea for the cost of using its specialized equipment (insulated, heated tankers) necessary to transport the low sulfur fuel oil. Thus, Bering Sea seeks approval on short notice, effective from February 2, 2005, of its proposed rate of \$2.925 per barrel.

On January 11, 2005, the commission issued to Bering Sea CPCN No. 2153-C. Bering Sea seeks to commence its transport operations forthwith, upon the commission's approval of this short notice filing.

Based on the stakeholders' representations, the commission finds good cause to grant WMTB's request for approval on short notice.

II.

### <u>Order</u>

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that WMTB's Rate Notice No. 4477-14, filed on January 25, 2005, is approved on short notice, to be effective from February 2, 2005.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii \_\_\_\_\_FEB - 2 2005

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By July P. Colico

Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By (EXCUSED)

Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

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Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Azama

Commission Counsel

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing  $\underbrace{\text{Order No. } 21577}_{\text{No. postage}}$  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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Karen Higashi

DATED: FEB - 2 2005