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 Hawaii Transfer Company,) Ltd. WMTB Rate Notice No. 4505-4-B.) ORDER NO. 22046

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The commission approves on short notice Rate Notice No. 4505-4-B, filed by WESTERN MOTOR TARIFF BUREAU, INC. ("WMTB"), on behalf of HAWAII TRANSFER COMPANY, LTD. ("Hawaii Transfer"), on September 15, 2005.

Hawaii Transfer, through WMTB, seeks the commission's approval on short notice of a 2.5 per cent increase in its general commodity rates for the island of Oahu ("Tariff No. 4B"), by Rate Notice No. 4505-4-B filed on September 15, 2005. Hawaii Transfer makes its request pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes § 271-21(c) and Hawaii Administrative Rules § 6-63-18, with a proposed effective date of September 21, 2005.

Hawaii Transfer seeks a 2.5 per cent rate increase due to its rapid escalating fuel costs. Hawaii Transfer states that while it implemented a 5.5 per cent increase in its Tariff No. 4B rates in April 2005, its request for an additional 2.5 per cent

¹On September 12, 2005, Hawaii Transfer submitted its income statements for the calendar years 2004 and 2005 (actual/projected), in response to the commission's directive.

increase is still within the ten (10) per cent Zone of Reasonableness established by the commission.²

The commission finds good cause to grant WMTB's request, on behalf of Hawaii Transfer, for approval on short notice.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that WMTB's Rate Notice No. 4505-4-B, filed on September 15, 2005, is approved on short notice, to be effective on September 21, 2005.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii _____

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Arlito P. Caliboso, Chairm

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Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Azama

Commission Counsel

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 $^{^{2}\}underline{\text{See}}$ Decision and Order No. 21490, filed on December 7, 2004, in Docket No. 03-0245.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 22046 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: SEP 2 1 2005