

In the Matter of the Application ) APPLICATION NO. MR-979 of the Public Service Commission, ) on its own motion, seeking to amend the Nebraska Official ) COMMENT Intracity Household Goods Tariff ) ENTERED: AUGUST 8, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission), on its own motion, seeks to amend the Nebraska Official Intracity Household Goods Tariff 22 pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat., Sections 75-118 and 75-126. The Commission opens this docket and seeks comment on the following amendment:

Item 240: Payment of Charges

- (A) Unless satisfactory credit arrangements have been made prior to the move, all tariff rates and charges due and payable to the carrier will be paid in cash, money order or certified check in the following manner:
- (1) Prior to loading the household goods shipment. An estimate of charges will be paid to the carrier, and the carrier will either refund the amount overpaid or issue a balance due statement to the consignor/consignee.
- (2) Prior to unloading the household goods shipment. An estimate of charges will be paid to the carrier, and the carrier will either refund the amount overpaid or issue a balance due statement to the consignor/consignee. If the amount overpaid is not paid within fifteen (15) days after completion of the move, a late charge of one and one-half (1.5%) percent on the amount overpaid will be paid to the consignor/consignee.
- (3) After completion of the household goods move. The carrier will present an itemized bill for all charges due and payable
- (B) Prior to the move, the carrier must notify the consignor/consignee in writing the method of payment, an estimate of charges to be paid, and the manner in which the charges are calculated. Upon agreement of the payment method, both the carrier and consignor/consignee will be bound by its terms.
- (C) When prior credit arrangements have been made or upon presentation of a balance due statement, the charges are due and payable fifteen days after the billing date. A late charge of one and one-half (1.5%) percent on the unpaid balance may be charged after the 15th day.

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The Commission reserves the right to include any other issues which may be uncovered in its investigation under this docket which may be relevant to the issues of the proposed tariff amendment.

Interested parties will have until September 1, 2000, to file written comments regarding the proposed amendment. The Commission may elect to hold a public hearing on this proposed amendment if it determines that such a hearing is necessary.

## ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that an investigation be commenced on the issues set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all interested parties are invited to comment on the proposed amendment. Comments are due no later than Friday, September 1, 2000, at 5:00 p.m.

MADE AND ENTERED in Lincoln, Nebraska, this 1st day of August, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTESTS:

Deputy Director

//s//Frank E. Landis //s//Daniel G. Urwiller