GENERAL ORDER 122-B

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RULES GOVERNING PUBLIC INSPECTION, SUBSCRIPTION, AND SALE OF TARIFF SCHEDULES OF COMMON CARRIERS AS DEFINED IN DIVISION 1 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE, AND OF HIGHWAY CONTRACT CARRIERS SUBJECT TO GENERAL ORDER 147-A

(The Provisions of this General Order Supersede the Provisions of General Order 122-A Adopted August 1, 1984, Effective September 30, 1984 by Decision 84-08-105, Case 7862.)

Decision 86-12-102. Case 10368, et al.

Rule 1—Public inspection of tariff files. Every common carrier shall maintain, open for public inspection, at its principal office in California, a copy of complete tariff schedules issued by it or by its agents, or in which it concurs, including those currently applicable, those filed with the Commission to become applicable at a future date, and canceled tariff schedules for a period of not less than three years after the effective date of cancellation.

Rule 2—Public inspection of contracts and contract rate schedules. Every contract carrier shall maintain, open for public inspection at its principal office in California, a copy of complete contracts and contract rate schedules issued by it or its agents, including those currently applicable, those filed with the Commission to become applicable at a future date, and canceled contracts and contract rate schedules for a period of not less than three years after the effective date of cancellation.

Rule 3—Public inspection at other than principal office. Every common carrier shall, upon demand in writing by any person, within 10 days, make available for public inspection at any office, depot, terminal or station in charge of an agent or other responsible employee, any requested currently effective tariff schedule issued by it or by its agents or in which it concurs.

Rule 4—Tariff subscription and sales

(a) As used in this rule, the term “subscription” means the furnishing by a common carrier or its agent of at least one copy of a particular tariff and its amendments (including reissues of the tariff) to any party (“subscribers”). The term “subscription” does not pertain to requests for a copy or copies of a tariff without a request for future amendments. The term “subscriber” does not include a common carrier
as to agency tariffs in which it participates or to other carriers' tariffs in which it concurs.

(b) Fees for subscription shall be reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

(c) A common carrier or its agent shall not refuse to furnish a subscription to any party upon reasonable request except for nonpayment of the applicable fee.

(d) Every common carrier or its agent shall distribute its new tariffs, supplements and loose leaf pages to subscribers by first class mail (or other means requested in writing by subscriber) not later than the first business day following the time the copies for official filing are transmitted to the Commission except that the first class mailing requirement shall apply only to new subscriptions taken after September 30, 1984.

(e) Every common carrier or its agent shall furnish without delay one copy of any current tariff publication, or any tariff publication filed but not yet effective, to any person upon reasonable request at a reasonable charge.

Rule 5—Copies of contracts and contract rate schedules furnished the public. Every contract carrier shall furnish without delay one copy of a contract or contract rate schedule on file with the Commission and currently in effect, or not yet effective, to any person upon reasonable request at a reasonable charge.

Rule 6—Assistance to public. Every common carrier shall give information contained in tariff schedules issued by it or by its agents or in which it concurs, and lend assistance to seekers for information.

Rule 7—Posting of notices. Every common carrier shall post in a prominent place in every office, depot, terminal or station where passengers or property are received for transportation a notice setting forth the complete address of the office where tariff schedules issued by it or by its agent or in which it concurs are maintained pursuant to Rule 1.

Rule 8—Tariffs may be maintained at other locations. This General Order shall not be construed to prohibit common or contract carriers from maintaining tariffs, contracts or contract rate schedules open for public inspection, at places other than as required by Rules 1 and 2.

Rule 9—Application in connection with other General Orders.

(a) The provisions of this General Order supersede those of Rule 25 of General Order 70.

(b) The requirements of this General Order are in addition to those provided in Rules 4, 5 and 6 of General Order

C.O. 122-B
147 A, Rule 7 of General Order 149, Rule 7 of General Order 150, and Rule 7 of General Order 151.
Approved and dated December 22, 1986, at San Francisco, California.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By VICTOR WEISSER
Executive Director