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American Airlines yesterday (May 5) requested permission of the Civil Aeronautics Board to institute sharply reduced Airfreight rates on short notice.

The new tariff, ranging from 25% to 40% below present charges, will affect most commodities traveling east and north from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dallas, Ft. Worth and San Antonio. Lower rates on three commodities from St. Louis and four from Chicago to the east will be specified. The new tariff will become effective about May 20.

Joseph D. Boylan, the company's director of cargo sales, said the reductions will stimulate the use of Airfreight by western and southern shippers. Eastbound cargo planes customarily fly with lighter loads than westbound flights.

At the same time Boylan announced that American will publish new proportional rates June 5. They can be used in combination with commodity rates to provide lower charges between cities to and from which commodity rates are not applicable.

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