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Decision No. <u>57883</u>

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Calwa Compress Company, a) California Corporation, to Dis-) Application No. 40719 continue service as a Public Utility.)

OPINION AND ORDER

Calwa Compress Company, a Corporation, is a public utility warchouseman engaged in the storage of cotton at a location approximately two miles south of the city limits of Fresno. By this application, it seeks authority to discontinue this operation.

The application shows that applicant's warehousing facilities are leased from the San Joaquin Improvement Co., and that the lease will terminate on March 31, 1959. Applicant states that it must vacate the premises on that date, and thereafter will not have any facilities which can be offered to the public for the storage of cotton. Applicant does not propose to lease other facilities in order to continue its public utility service.

The application states that there are at the present time ten patrons using applicant's warehouse. Applicant expects all of the cotton to be removed from storage by March 31, 1959. However, if any cotton remains in the warehouse on March 31, 1959, applicant proposes to move it to any one of the other warehouses in the general vicinity. There are three other public utility warehouses engaged in the storage of cotton within two miles of applicant's warehouse.

This is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The Commission finds that the proposed discontinuance of the public utility warehouse operations here involved will not be adverse to the public interest. The applicant will be authorized to withdraw from these operations, subject to conditions designed to protect the interests of its patrons.

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Therefore, good cause appearing,

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IT IS ORDERED that Calwa Compress Company is hereby authorized to discontinue its public utility warehouse operations, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman, rendering all services specified in its tariffs, at rates and charges therein provided, so long as any property remains in storage in its warehouse; except that from and after the date of filing the written acceptance specified in Condition 2 hereof, applicant shall not be required to receive any additional goods for storage.
- 2. Applicant shall, within ten days after the effective date of this order, file with the Commission its written acceptance of this order, including all of the provisions and conditions thereof.
- 3. Applicant shall cause to be prepared and to be mailed or otherwise delivered to each of its storage patrons on or before twenty days after the effective date of this order, a true and complete copy of this order.
- 4. Applicant's storage patrons may designate any available public warehouse or other location within the vicinity of Fresno to which their stored property shall be moved; however, in the absence of such election on or before thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant may transport such property to any public utility warehouse within that vicinity.
- 5. Applicant shall pay, for its own account, and at no expense to its patrons, any and all costs connected with the transfer of stored property from its warehouse to other locations, whether designated by its patrons or otherwise, including transportation, the handling charges of the receiving warehouse, and any additional storage charges occasioned by a difference in storage periods between its own and the receiving warehouse.
- 6. Applicant shall, promptly on removal of all stored property from its warehouse, (a) file with the Commission a verified statement that it has fully complied with Conditions 1 to 5, inclusive, and (b) cancel all tariffs, concurrences and powers of attorney which it has on file with the Commission.

This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this Miday of January, 1959. ident 0 Commissioners

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