

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 63382

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
GARDEN GROVE WAREHOUSE COMPANY, a)
corporation, FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZ-)
ING THE ABANDONMENT OF WAREHOUSING)
FUNCTIONS OF APPLICANT.)

Application No. 44136
(Filed January 24, 1962)

OPINION AND ORDER

Garden Grove Warehouse Company, a corporation, operates a public utility warehouse in Garden Grove, Orange County.¹ By this application it seeks authority to abandon warehousing functions as of July 31, 1962, and to use or dispose of its property as determined by applicant's Board of Directors.

The application states that applicant is in the business of conducting a public warehouse for the storage of beans and other agricultural products; that prior to the post-war expansion period the area immediately surrounding applicant's warehouse included large agricultural acreage, a substantial part of which was devoted to the growing of beans; that since 1945 the agricultural acreage has been almost entirely eliminated, the land being changed to residential subdivisions and commercial and industrial developments; that as a consequence the growing of agricultural products and beans in the area has virtually ceased; and that applicant anticipates that in the crop year beginning August 1, 1962, there will be scarcely any products to be warehoused.

According to the application, growers of agricultural products in the area will have several public warehousing services

¹The warehouse operative rights were determined by order of the Commission dated June 14, 1960, in Case No. 6529.

available and any agricultural products remaining on hand in applicant's warehouse on July 31, 1962, will be transported at the direction of the holder of a warehouse receipt to any available warehouse at the expense of applicant. Applicant's attorney has informed the Commission by letter dated February 12, 1962, that applicant has notified all storers of the proposed abandonment of its warehousing functions. No objections to the proposal have been received.

Upon consideration of the allegations contained in the application, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed discontinuance and abandonment of the public utility warehouse operation as sought herein will not be adverse to the public interest. The applicant will be authorized to withdraw from said operation and cancel the tariffs applicable thereunder, subject to conditions designed to protect the interests of its patrons. A public hearing is not necessary.

Good cause appearing,

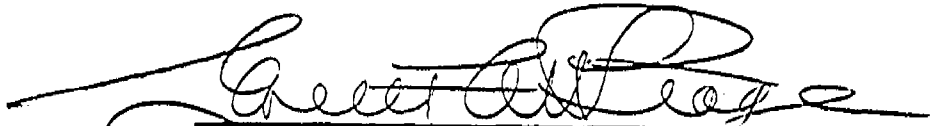
IT IS ORDERED that the prescriptive operative right as a public utility warehouseman possessed by Garden Grove Warehouse Company, a corporation, determined by order dated June 14, 1960, in Case No. 6529, is hereby revoked subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman, rendering all services specified in its tariffs, at rates and charges therein provided, until July 31, 1962; and on and after August 1, 1962, applicant shall not be required to receive any additional goods for storage.
2. Applicant shall, within twenty 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 shall, at the direction of a holder of a warehouse receipt for property remaining in storage on July 31, 1962, transport such property to any available public warehouse at the expense of applicant and at no expense or risk to the holder of the warehouse receipt.
5. Applicant shall (a) file with the Commission within 30 days after discontinuance of operations a verified statement that it has fully complied with Conditions 1 to 4, inclusive, and (b) cancel all tariffs, concurrences and powers of attorney which it has on file with the Commission, such cancellation to be made effective July 31, 1962, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.


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

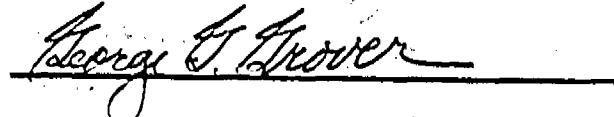
Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of March, 1962.

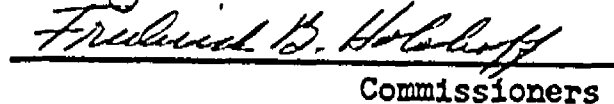


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