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Decision No.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) WEST LOS ANGELES MILLING CO., A) CORPORATION, FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZ-) ING THE ABANDONMENT OF WAREHOUSING) FUNCTIONS OF ITS OCEANSIDE WAREHOUSE) PROPERTIES AND THE DISPOSAL THEREOF.)

Application No. 44191 (Filed February 9, 1962)

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OPINION AND ORDER

West Los Angeles Milling Co., a corporation, operates public utility warehouses in various locations in California.¹ By this application it seeks authority to abandon operations at its Oceanside warehouse and to dispose of its property.

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 Oceanside warehouse included large agricultural acreage, a substantial part of which was devoted to the growing of beans; that in the post-war expansion the agricultural acreage has been greatly reduced; and that as a consequence the Oceanside warehouse has virtually ceased to function as a warehouse for the storage of beans and other agricultural products, except those owned by applicant.

According to the application, growers of agricultural products in the area will have other public warehousing services available; and any agricultural products remaining on hand in applicant's warehouse will be transported at the direction of the owner, and at applicant's expense, to any available warehouse

Applicant currently conducts operations at Oxnard, Oceanside, Sutter and Chino. The warehouse operative rights were determined by order of the Commission dated June 28, 1960, in Case No. 6570.

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including applicant's warehouse at Chino. Applicant's attorney has informed the Commission by letter that applicant has notified all storers of the proposed abandonment. 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 interest 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 at Oceanside, possessed by West Los Angeles Milling
Co., a corporation, determined by order dated June 28, 1960, in
Case No. 6570, is hereby revoked subject to the following conditions:

a. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman at Oceanside, 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 b hereof, applicant shall not be required to receive any additional goods for storage.

b. 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.

c. 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.

d. Applicant shall, at the direction of the owner of any property remaining in storage, transport such property to any available public warehouse at the expense of applicant and at no expense or risk to the owner of the property transported. e. 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 a to d, inclusive, and (b) cancel its tariffs on file with the Commission governing warehouse operations at Oceanside.

2. The prescriptive operative rights set forth in First Revised Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, are in lieu of and supersede the operative rights determined in Case No. 6570 dated June 28, 1960, which operative rights are revoked and canceled effective concurrently with the effective date of tariff filings required by Condition e in paragraph 1 hereof.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of March, 1962.

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Commissioners

WEST LOS ANGELES MILLING CO. (a corporation)

First Revised Appendix A

West Los Angeles Milling Co., a corporation, possesses prescriptive operative rights as a public utility warehouseman for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as follows:

<u>location</u>	Number of Square Feet
Chino and vicinity	56,251
El Rio and vicinity (Ventura County)	28,600
Sutter and vicinity	52,000

(The floor space shown above is exclusive of the 50,000 square feet of expansion permissible under Section 1051 of the Public Utilities Code.)

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