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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of NATIONAL ICE AND COLD STORAGE) COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA for an order) approving the suspension and disposition of a certain plant which) is neither necessary nor useful in) the performance of applicant's) duties to the public.

Decision No.

Application No. 45201
As Amended

OPINION

National Ice and Cold Storage Company of California requests authority to discontinue the operation of its Stockton warehouse.

By its order dated June 6, 1960, and as amended by its order dated July 26, 1960, the Commission in Case No.6515 described the prescriptive right of applicant to operate as a public utility warehouseman in Riverside, Watsonville, Santa Rosa, Petaluma Marysville and Stockton.

It is alleged that for the years 1957 through 1962 applicant has operated its Stockton warehouse at a loss in the amount of \$172,472 and that the continuance of said warehouse is neither necessary nor useful to the public in the City of Stockton.

Attached to the application are copies of 20 letters from various companies presently using applicant's Stockton facilities indicating that the discontinuance of such service would result in no inconvenience. The letters allegedly represent 90 percent of applicant's total customers.

After consideration the Commission finds that the discontinuance of applicant's service in the City of Stockton would not be adverse to the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the prescriptive operative right as a public utility warehouseman at Stockton possessed by National Ice and Cold Storage Company of California, a corporation, determined by order dated June 6, 1960 and revised July 26, 1960 in Case No. 6515, is hereby revoked subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman, at Stockton, rendering all services specified in its tariffs, at rates and charges therein provided, until July 1, 1963; and on and after the effective date hereof, 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.
- 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 copy of this order.
- 4. Applicant shall, at the direction of a holder of a warehouse receipt for property remaining in storage on July 1, 1963, transport such property to any available public warehouse at the expense of applicant.
- 5. Applicant shall (a) file with the Commission within thirty 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 of applicant as a public utility warehouseman at Stockton, which it has on file with the Commission, such cancellation to be made effective July 1, 1963, on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

Commissioner Everett C. McKonge, being necessarily obsent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.