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Decision No. 73453

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of VELTMAN WAREHOUSE CO., a corporation, to suspend its prescriptive right to operate as a public utility warehouseman for a period of not to exceed one year.

Application No. 49713 (Filed October 5, 1967)

OPINION AND ORDER

Veltman Warehouse Co., a corporation, possesses a prescriptive operative right as a public utility warehouseman in Vernon which was determined by order of the Commission, dated June 28, 1960, in Case No. 6573 and suspended by Decision No. 63163 dated January 23, 1962, and acquired pursuant to authority granted by the Commission in Decision No. 67607, dated July 28, 1964.

Applicant operates 162,602 square feet of storage space as such at 4459 Fruitland Avenue in the City of Vernon.

Applicant asks that its prescriptive warehouse right be suspended for a period of one year, and that applicant be authorized to suspend its tariff publications applicable thereto for said period.

Applicant alleges that it has heretofore conducted its warehouse operations on leased premises consisting of three contiguous buildings totaling 165,000 square feet of storage space. The lease on one building expired on June 30, 1967, and the leases

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on the remaining buildings are due to expire on December 31, 1967. Applicant intends to construct a new warehouse facility within the same commercial and industrial area as the location wherein its present facility is located. Applicant is presently negotiating a construction contract for said new facility which is expected to be executed within the next few months, and construction completed within one year from date hereof.

Applicant asserts that its warehouse patrons have withdrawn their goods from its public warehouse and will not be adversely affected by the suspension of warehouse operations, and that applicant has no existing accounts.

The Los Angeles Warehousemen's Association, by letter dated October 10, 1967, states that it has no objection to this application.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that the proposed one-year suspension is not adverse to the public interest. The application will be granted.

A public hearing is not necessary.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The operating authority as a public utility warehouseman acquired by Veltman Warehouse Co., a corporation, by Decision No. 67667 dated July 28, 1964, is hereby suspended until December 31, 1968.

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2. All effective tariff schedules of Veltman Warehouse Co., as a public utility warehouseman are hereby suspended until December 31, 1968. Suspension supplements to tariff schedules so suspended are not required and shall not be filed.

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

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