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Decision No. 73938

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of METROPOLITAN WAREHOUSE COMPANY,)
a California corporation, for a)
certificate of public convenience)
and necessity to increase storage)
and warehouse floor space.)

Application No. 50048
(Filed February 23, 1968)

O P I N I O N

Metropolitan Warehouse Company, presently operating as a public utility warehouseman in the City of Los Angeles, requests authority to increase its public utility warehouse space by 85,000 square feet.

Applicant conducts general warehouse operations in two buildings having a total floor space of 339,000 square feet. It proposes to lease a new building located at 1321 Wholesale Street, Los Angeles, which is presently under construction and is expected to be completed by May 15, 1968. The new addition would be occupied pursuant to a lease at a monthly rental of \$5,000.

It is alleged that applicant's present facilities are now heavily overburdened by the demands of its customers; applicant has frequently been forced to store merchandise on its docks; on many occasions it has had to leave incoming merchandise in railroad cars for extended periods; its operations have become congested and inefficient because of the demand for its service; and customers have made requests upon applicant to extend its service facilities.

The application was listed in the Commission's Daily Calendar of February 27, 1968. The record also indicates that a copy of the application was served upon the Los Angeles Warehousemen's Association. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

After consideration, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the application. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Metropolitan Warehouse Company, a corporation, as a public utility warehouseman, as defined in Section 239(b) of the Public Utilities Code, for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. Applicant is placed on notice that, if it accepts the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, it will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of its operations.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file tariffs, in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff filings shall be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the service herein authorized.

- (d) The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 61-A.

3. The certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in paragraph 1 of this order shall supersede all existing operative rights as a public utility warehouseman heretofore granted to or acquired by Metropolitan Warehouse Company, a corporation, and presently possessed by it, which certificates are revoked effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by paragraph 2 hereof.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2nd day of APRIL, 1968.

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President
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Commissioners

METROPOLITAN WAREHOUSE COMPANY
(a corporation)

Metropolitan Warehouse Company, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to operate as a public utility warehouseman for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Square Feet of Floor Space</u>
City of Los Angeles	424,500

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

(End of Appendix A)

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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