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Decision No. 84025

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of ARTOIS-CORNING
WAREHOUSES, INC., a California
corporation, for consent to abandon
its operating rights and certificate
pertaining to its public warehouse
at Corning, California.

Application No. 55360
(Filed December 4, 1974)

O P I N I O N

Applicant Artois-Corning Warehouses, Inc. requests authority to discontinue operations as a public utility warehouseman in Corning, California.

Applicant was granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity allowing it to operate as a public warehouseman with respect to the storage and handling of agricultural commodities at facilities located at Artois in Glenn County and at Corning in Tehama County (Application No. 51125, Decision No. 75918 dated July 15, 1969). Applicant has operated the facilities at Corning as well as the facilities at Artois as a public warehouseman of grain and other agricultural commodities. However, because most growers in the Corning area now own and operate their own warehouse facilities, the demand for public warehousing has decreased substantially. The result is that even though the applicant herein has been holding itself out as a public warehouseman and has been ready, willing, and able to perform such function, there has been virtually no demand for service at Corning and the last storage of agricultural commodities by a local grower terminated on January 31, 1973. The warehouse facilities have been empty since such date.

After consideration the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require applicant's service as a public utility warehouseman in the city of Corning and concludes that the application should be granted.

A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Artois-Corning Warehouses, Inc. may discontinue operations as a public utility warehouseman in the city of Corning, and the authority set forth by the Commission in Decision No. 75918 as pertains to Corning is revoked, effective concurrently with the tariff amendments required by paragraph 2.

2. Applicant is directed to amend the tariffs on file with the Commission, such amendment to be made within thirty days after the effective date of this order and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, and the effective date of the tariff amendments shall be concurrent with the discontinuance authorized in paragraph 1.

3. In the event the discontinuance authorized in paragraph 1 is completed, effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff amendments required by paragraph 2, a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Artois-Corning Warehouses, Inc., authorizing it to operate as a public utility warehouseman, as

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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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of JANUARY, 1975.

Vernon L. Stevens
President
William J. [unclear]
[unclear]
Leonard Ross

Commissioners

Artois-Corning Warehouses, Inc., a corporation, 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 as defined in Section 239(b) of the Public Utilities Code for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Square Feet Of Floor Space</u>
In the vicinity of Artois	41,764

(The floor space shown 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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