

Decision No. 84162

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
of MERCHANTS REFRIGERATING COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA, UNION ICE & STORAGE
COMPANY, and WESTERN REFRIGERATING
& COLD STORAGE COMPANY for an
increase in rates.

Application No. 55221

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

Decision No. 84092 dated February 19, 1975 in the instant application authorizes applicants to increase their rates thirty days after the effective date of the order on not less than thirty days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

On February 20, 1975 applicants filed a petition for reconsideration of Decision No. 84092, requesting that the increases authorized be made effective five days after the effective date of the order in Decision No. 84092 on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

Applicants allege that under the provisions of Decision No. 84092 applicants are authorized to make effective no earlier than April 10, 1975 the increased rates authorized by said Decision No. 84092. Such delay would be disastrous for applicants, who will be receiving, beginning on or about March 1, 1975, early spring crops of spinach and broccoli for freezing and storage. Union Ice & Storage Company in particular, as the record shows, will receive, beginning about March 1, 1975, spinach for freezing and storage in the Santa Cruz area. The spinach harvesting season is only about four weeks long and during that short period spinach is received in very heavy tonnages. Unless the increased rates authorized by Decision No. 84092 are made effective on or about March 1, 1975, or shortly thereafter,

Union Ice & Storage Company will be deprived of substantial revenues the record shows it needs.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision No. 84092 is amended as follows:

1. Merchants Refrigerating Company of California, Union Ice & Storage Company, and Western Refrigerating & Cold Storage Company are authorized to establish the increased rates proposed in Application No. 55221. Merchants Refrigerating Company of California is authorized to cancel Item 150 of its Cold Storage and Warehouse Tariff No. 1, Cal. P.U.C. No. 1. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of MARCH, 1975.

Vernon L. Sturges
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Commissioners