89144 JUL 2 5 1978 RIGINA Decision No. BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA In the Matter of the Investigation) for the purpose of considering and) determining minimum rates for Case No. 5432 transportation of any and all Petition for Modification commodities statewide, including, but not limited to, those rates) which are provided in Minimum Rate No. 996 Tariff 2 and the revisions or reissues thereof. Case No. 5330, Pet. 102 Case No. 5433, Pet. 68 Case No. 5436, Pet. 259 Case No. 5437, Pet. 294 Case No. 5438, Pet. 117 Case No. 5439, Pet. 316 Case No. 5440, Pet. 105 Case No. 5441, Pet. 400 And Related Matters. Case No. 5603, Pet. 212 Case No. 5604, Pet. 60 Case No. 7857, Pet. 162 Case No. 8808, Pet. 44 Case No. 9819, Pet. 26 Case No. 9820, Pet. 10

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ORDER EXTENDING TIME

By letter dated June 29, 1978 the California Trucking Association (CTA) requests an additional 90 days to amend its petitions as directed by Decision No. 88667 dated April 4, 1978.

CTA's petitions basically request amendments to alternative application of common carrier rate provisions of the Commission's minimum rate tariffs which would result in more restrictive availability of rail rates for highway carrier application. Decision No. 88667 stated:

> "We believe CTA and other parties favoring the reduction or partial elimination of the use of alternatively applied rail carload rates by highway permit carriers should come forward with proposals which will permit highway carriers to expeditiously establish lower levels of compensatory truckload rates that would become effective concurrently with the minimum rate tariff amendments proposed in these petitions. Therefore, we will direct petitioner to amend its petitions within sixty days after the effective date of this order to incorporate such proposals. In the event that the petitions are not so amended, they will be dismissed."

CTA states that "the time period afforded by the decision has simply been inadequate to allow finalization of proposals which are consistent with this objective".

We will grant CTA an additional 90 days from the effective date of this order to amend its petitions. That will mean CTA will have had six months to develop a constructive proposal as directed in Decision No. 88667, and we expect that in that time frame CTA should be able to formulate and present a proposal.

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IT IS ORDERED that California Trucking Association is granted an additional ninety days from the effective date of this order to amend petitions in these proceedings in a manner consistent with Decision No. 88667.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>25</u> day of <u>111 Y</u>, 1978.

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