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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution No. TL 18300
Transportation Division
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R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE HEAVY-SPECIALIZED CARRIER, HIGHWAY CONTRACT CARRIER, AND AGRICULTURAL CARRIER PERMITS AND THE HIGHWAY COMMON CARRIER CERTIFICATE OF INTERAMERICAN PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION (T-120,919) FOR FAILURE TO PASS CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION AND TERMINAL INSPECTION

Interamerican Public Distribution Corporation (T-120,919) holds Heavy-Specialized Carrier, Highway Contract Carrier and Agricultural Carrier permits and a Highway Common Carrier certificate.

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has statutory authority in the area of safety of Highway Permit Carriers under FU Code Section 3774(g).

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has informed the Commission that it has performed four evaluation inspections of Interamerican Public Distribution Corporation. Each inspection resulted in vehicles being placed out-of-service for imminently hazardous mechanical defects. In addition, the Patrol stated that the carrier did not have an effective preventive maintenance program, the drivers were not properly inspecting the vehicles prior to operation, and the hazardous materials portion of the inspections revealed failure to comply with hazardous materials regulations. Each inspection resulted in unsatisfactory terminal ratings. The carrier was advised of the requirement to comply with safety regulations, and of the consequences of continued noncompliance, including loss of operating authority. Accordingly, the CHP has recommended suspension of the carrier's authorities.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Heavy-Specialized Carrier, Highway Contract Carrier and Agricultural Carrier permits and the Highway Common Carrier certificate of Interamerican Public Distribution Corporation (T-120,919) are suspended.
2. If Interamerican wishes to challenge the suspension it should file an application with the Commission's Docket Office asking that its suspension be lifted and requesting a prompt hearing. (The Public Advisor's Office (telephone (415) 557-0890) is available to provide informa-

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tion about how to file an application.) Upon receipt of such an application, the Commission will set a hearing as soon as possible. Interamerican may also request reinspection by the California Highway Patrol.

3. Interamerican shall conduct no operations as a Heavy-Specialized Carrier, Highway Contract Carrier, Agricultural Carrier or Highway Common Carrier during the period of suspension

4. Interamerican shall not lease its vehicles to other carriers during the period of suspension.

5. The Executive Director may reinstate Interamerican's operating authorities upon receipt of a written recommendation from the California Highway Patrol that Interamerican's safety compliance warrants reinstatement, provided that Interamerican's operating authorities are not then suspended, or subject to suspension, for other reasons.

6. Interamerican's authorities shall be revoked 90 days from this date if they have not been reinstated by then and if a hearing has not been requested.

The Executive Director is directed to mail a copy of this resolution to:

INTERAMERICAN PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION
LARRY PITTMAN, PRESIDENT
6277 E. SLAUSON AVE.
CITY OF COMMERCE, CA 90040.

This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission on MAY 10 1983.

The following Commissioners approved it.

G. MITCHELL WILK
President
FREDERICK R. DUDA
STANLEY W. HULETT
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Commissioners



Executive Director