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SERVICE DATE - DECEMBER 30, 1998

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Docket No. 41192

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC.--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER--
CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF SWEENEY TRANSPORTATION, INC.,
AND KNICKERBOCKER EAST-WEST, INC.

Decided: December 28, 1998

In a decision served November 27, 1998, the Board granted an extension of the procedural schedule for the filing of statements in this proceeding and set the due date for the rebuttal of The TJX Companies, Inc. (petitioner) as January 11, 1999.

On December 22, 1998, petitioner filed a request for a 14-day extension until January 25, 1999, to file its rebuttal statement. Petitioner indicates that unanticipated scheduling difficulties necessitate the request. Petitioner states that counsel for respondents consents to the extension request. The request will be granted.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. Petitioner's extension request is granted.
2. Petitioner's rebuttal statement is due January 25, 1999.
3. This decision is effective on its service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary