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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Docket No. ISM 35000

DEFINITION OF THE TERM "TARIFF" AND WORDING  
CHANGES IN BILL OF LADING FORMATS  
(National Motor Freight Classification)

Decided: June 3, 1998

By application filed May 11, 1998, the National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc. (NMFTA) requests special tariff authority to cancel the matter under suspension in STB Docket No. ISM 35000 on not less than four (4) days' notice. In support of its request, NMFTA states that the provisions sought to be canceled are moot to the extent that they apply to the former versions of the Uniform Bill of Lading formats because they have been canceled by entirely new bill of lading formats published in Supplements 3 and 5 to tariff STB NMF 100-X<sup>1</sup>.

In a decision served May 21, 1998, the Board's Office of Compliance and Enforcement (OCE) granted NMFTA's application for special tariff authority and directed that the publication canceling the suspended matter indicate that it is issued pursuant to permission granted by the Board in Special Tariff Authority No. 5.

Because the cancellation by OCE of the suspended matter moots STB Docket No. ISM 35000, the Board will dismiss that proceeding.

It is ordered:

1. The proceeding in STB Docket No. ISM 35000 is dismissed.

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<sup>1</sup> The amendment to the Uniform Straight Bill of Lading proposed in Supplement 3 was the subject of a protest in STB Docket No. ISM 35002; however, after careful consideration of the issues, the Board permitted the amendment to become effective as proposed.

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2. This decision is effective on the date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary