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SERVICE DATE - MAY 8, 1997

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB No. 41936¹

PENNSYLVANIA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY
ORDER--CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF FRIEDMAN'S EXPRESS, INC.

STB No. 41937

HULS AMERICA, INC.--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER--
CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF FRIEDMAN'S EXPRESS, INC.

STB No. 41938

BMW OF NORTH AMERICA--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER--
CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF FRIEDMAN'S EXPRESS, INC.

STB No. 41939

J&J FLOCK PRODUCTS--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER--
CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF FRIEDMAN'S EXPRESS, INC.

Decided: May 5, 1997

By decisions served September 24, 1996, the Board established procedural schedules in these proceedings. Due dates were extended by a subsequent decision. Petitioners' timely filed their opening statements. Respondent's reply was due on April 25, 1997.

By letter filed May 1, 1997, respondent requests an extension of time to May 27, 1997, to file its reply statement. Respondent states that petitioners' do not oppose the extension request.

The request will be granted and the procedural schedules will be adjusted accordingly.

It is ordered:

1. Respondent's extension request is granted.
2. Respondent's reply is due on May 27, 1997.
3. Petitioners' rebuttal is due on June 16, 1997.
4. This decision is effective on the service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary

¹ These proceedings are not consolidated. A single decision is being issued for administrative convenience.