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SERVICE DATE - FEBRUARY 13, 1998

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB No. 42016

A. SCHULMAN, INC.; AGATE COVER ENTERPRISES D/B/A SOUND BUSINESS FORMS; ALCAN ALUMINUM CORPORATION; ANSUL FIRE PROTECTION; AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION ; B&S SUPPLY; BAYSIDE BUSINESS FORMS; BLOCK GRAPHICS, INC. F/K/A MEDALLION ENVELOPE CO.; BLOCK GRAPHICS, INC. F/K/A SYSTEMS DISTRIBUTION, INC.; BLOUNT SPORTING EQUIPMENT; CAL-TAB SYSTEMS, INC.; CENTRAL VALLEY OAK DIST.; CHEMITHON SURFACE FINISHING, INC.; COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION; DATAFORM PRINT COMMUNICATIONS; DUCKBACK PRODUCTS INC.; DURODYNE,. INC.; EVEREADY BATTERY COMPANY, INC.; FEDERAL PAPER BOARD COMPANY, INC.; FMC CORPORATION; GRAN'PA DON'S, INC.; HEHR INTERNATIONAL, INC.; HOLLANDER GLASS, INC.; LYNX GOLF, INC.; MICHELMAN, INCORPORATED; NATIONAL STARCH & CHEMICAL; NATIONWIDE PAPERS; REPUBLIC BAG, INC.; STAR BLENDS, INC.; STOODY COMPANY; SYNSOR CORPORATION; TRAVIS INDUSTRIES, INC.; THE VALSPAR CORPORATION; WALTER E. NELSON; AND WESTERN NEVADA SUPPLY COMPANY--PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER--CERTAIN RATES AND PRACTICES OF WILLIG FREIGHT LINES, INC.

Decided: February 10, 1998

By decision served September 29, 1997, the Board established a procedural schedule in this proceeding. Due dates were extended by subsequent decisions. Petitioners' A. Schulman, Inc., Alcan Aluminum Corporation; Blount Sporting Equipment; Ansul Fire Protection; Avery Dennison Corporation; Chemithon Surface Finishing, Inc.; Costco Wholesale Corporation; Duckback Products Inc.; Eveready Battery Company, Inc.; Federal Paper Board Company, Inc.; FMC Corporation; Hehr International, Inc.; Lynx Golf, Inc.; National Starch & Chemical ; Nationwide Papers; Star Blends, Inc.; Stoody Company; Travis Industries, Inc.; The Valspar Corporation; and Western Nevada Supply Company timely filed their opening statements. Respondent's reply is due on February 19, 1998.

By letter filed February 10, 1998, respondent requests an extension of time to March 19, 1998, to file its reply statements. Respondent states that the petitioners agree to the extension request.

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

It is ordered:

1. Respondent's extension request is granted.
2. Respondent's reply statement is due on March 19, 1998.
3. Petitioners' rebuttal statements are due on April 8, 1998.
3. This decision is effective on the service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary