PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

Public Meeting held May 26, 1988

Commissioners Present:

Bill Shane, Chairman William H. Smith, Vice-Chairman Linda C. Taliaferro Joseph Rhodes, Jr., abstaining Frank Fischl

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Gearharts Moving & Storage, Inc. Sixth Avenue & Ninth Street Altoona, PA 16602 A-00094066C881

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

BY THE COMMISSION:

This Commission, as the duly constituted agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, empowered to regulate common carriers, forwarders, and contract carriers within this Commonwealth, represents as follows:

 That Gearharts Moving & Storage, Inc., respondent, maintains its principal place of business at Sixth Avenue & Ninth Street, Altoona, PA 16602.

2. Respondent holds a certificate of public convenience or contract carrier permit issued by this Commission at Application Docket No. A-00094066.

3. Respondent is required by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. §504 or §2502, and by the regulations of the Commission, 52 Pa. Code §29.42, or §31.9, to file an Annual Report with the Commission for each calendar year. The Annual Report must be filed with the Commission no later than March 31 of succeeding calendar year unless an extension of time for filing has been granted by the Commission.

4. As of the date of this order to show cause, which is after March 31, 1988, respondent has not filed its Annual Report for the year 1987.

5. By failing to file its Annual Report for 1987, respondent is in violation of 52 Pa. Code §29.42(d) or §31.9(f); THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That respondent show cause why the certificate of public convenience or contract carrier permit at Application Docket No. A-00094066 should not be revoked for failure to file respondent's Annual Report for 1987.

2. That respondent has twenty (20) days from the date on which this order is served to file with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17120, an answer, in writing, under oath, which, as required by the Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code \$5.64, either affirms or specifically denies the allegations in this order.

3. That in lieu of an answer to this order, respondent may file its Annual Report for 1987 within the time specified for filing an answer to this order. If the respondent so files its Annual Report for 1987, the time for filing that Report will be extended to the date upon which an answer is due, thereby mitigating the fine set forth in 52 Pa. Code §29.42(d), or 31.9(f), and this Order will be discharged without further proceedings.

4. That if respondent fails to file an answer or other responsive pleading, and if respondent also does not file its Annual Report for 1987 within twenty (20) days, respondent will be deemed to have admitted all the allegations in this Order, in accordance with the Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code \$5.64. In that event, this Commission may, without hearing, enter an appropriate order which either revokes or suspends the certificate of public convenience or contract carrier permit held by respondent, and which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty or forfeiture as authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. \$101, et seq.

5. That if respondent files an answer which admits the allegations contained in this order, and does not file its Annual Report for 1987, this Commission will enter an order which either revokes or suspends the certificate of public convenience or contract carrier permit held by respondent and which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty or forfeiture as authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. <u>\$\$101, et seq</u>.

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6. That if the respondent files a timely answer which specifically denies the allegations in this order, or which raises material questions of law or fact, and does not file its Annual Report for 1987, this matter shall be referred to an Administrative Law Judge for hearing and decision. If, after hearing on the issues raised by that answer, the respondent is found to have committed any of the violations alleged in this order, the Administrative Law Judge may render a decision which either revokes or suspends the certificate of public convenience or contract carrier permit held by respondent, and which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. §§101, et seq.

BY THE COMMISSION,

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ORDER ADOPTED: May 26, 1988

ORDER ENTERED: June 13, 1988

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