

comment to November 29, 1976 and announcing a public conference to be convened at 10 a.m. on Friday, November 19, 1976 in conference facilities on the 17th Floor, 300 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

Notice is hereby given that the public conference which was scheduled for Friday, November 19, 1976 is indefinitely postponed. The closing date for written submissions on this matter remains November 29, 1976. However, submissions received after that date may be considered to the extent practicable.

FRA has decided to postpone the public conference as a result of a joint request by representatives of the railroad industry and railroad labor. Those representatives expressed concern that current negotiations on certain sensitive contract issues might be prejudiced by the holding of a public conference at this time and urged that a more helpful exchange of views on the Hours of Service Act might be possible after the conclusion of those negotiations. Believing that the completion of fruitful negotiations by these parties will be in the public interest, FRA has decided to grant the requested postponement. The public conference may be rescheduled in the near future and an appropriate notice will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on Monday, November 15, 1976.

R. LAWRENCE McCaffrey, Jr.,
Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

LEATHER WEARING APPAREL FROM THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Receipt of Countervailing Duty Petition and Initiation of Investigation

A petition in satisfactory form was received on October 18, 1976, alleging that payments or bestowals conferred by the Government of the Republic of Korea upon the manufacture, production or exportation of leather wearing apparel from the Republic of Korea constitute the payment or bestowal of a bounty or grant within the meaning of section 303, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1303).

The term "leather wearing apparel", as used in the petition, covers wearing apparel, of leather, other than reptile leather, and is classifiable under item 791.75, Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS).

Pursuant to section 303(a)(4), Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1303(a)(4)), the Secretary of the Treasury is required to issue a preliminary determination as to whether or not any bounty or grant is being paid or bestowed within the meaning of that statute within 6 months of receipt, in satisfactory form, of a petition alleging the payment or bestowal of a bounty or grant. A final determination must be issued within 12 months of the receipt of such petition.

Therefore, a preliminary determination on this petition will be made no later than April 18, 1977, as to whether or not the alleged payments or bestowals conferred by the Government of the Republic of Korea upon the manufacture, production, or exportation of the above described merchandise constitute a bounty or grant within the meaning of section 303, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. A final determination will be issued no later than October 18, 1977.

This notice is published pursuant to section 303(a)(3) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1303(a)(3)), and § 159.47 of Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159.47).

LEONARD LEHMAN,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Approved: November 11, 1976.

JERRY THOMAS,
Under Secretary of the Treasury.

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Office of the Secretary

[Treasury Dept. Order No. 150-85]

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER (DATA SERVICES)

Establishment of New Office

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Reorganization Plan No. 26 of 1950:

(1) There shall be in the National Office of the Internal Revenue Service the Office of Assistant Commissioner (Data Services).

(2) Approval is given to the transfer of such personnel, records, equipment, and funds as are determined by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the Assistant Secretary for Administration to be appropriate in connection therewith. This order shall become effective upon such date as the Commissioner of Internal Revenue may determine.

Dated: November 5, 1976.

WILLIAM E. SIMON,
Secretary of the Treasury.

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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

[Notice No. 190]

ASSIGNMENT OF HEARINGS

NOVEMBER 11, 1976.

Cases assigned for hearing, postponement, cancellation or oral argument appear below and will be published only once. This list contains prospective assignments only and does not include cases previously assigned hearing dates. The hearings will be on the issues as presently reflected in the Official Docket of the Commission. An attempt will be made to publish notices of cancellation of hearings as promptly as possible, but interested parties should take appropriate steps to insure that they are notified of cancellation or postponements of hearings in which they are interested.

MC 113531 (Sub-No. 1), B & M Service, Inc., now assigned November 15, 1976, at Salt Lake City, Utah is canceled and application dismissed.

MC 119632 (Sub 66), Reed Lines, Inc. now being assigned January 31, 1977 (1 week) at Columbus, Ohio in a hearing room to be later designated.

MC 140845 (Sub 3), Hoke Bus Lines, Inc. now being assigned January 26, 1977 (3 days) at Columbus, Ohio in a hearing room to be later designated.

MC 119632 (Sub 69), Reed Lines, Inc. now being assigned January 25, 1977 (1 day) at Columbus, Ohio in a hearing room to be later designated.

MC-C 9106, Freightways Express, Inc., V. Seco Trucking, Inc. now being assigned January 13, 1977, (1 Day), at Little Rock, Ark. in a hearing room to be later designated.

MC 126427 (Sub 11), Palmer Transportation, Inc., MC 124078 (Sub 700), Schwerman Trucking Co., MC 128642 (Sub 14), Skyline Transport, Inc., MC 135774 (Sub 6), MC-MOR-HAN Trucking Co., Inc., MC 119974 (Sub 59), L.C.L. Transit Company, MC 116273 (Sub 204), D & L Transport, Inc., MC 114123 (Sub 43), Herman R. Ewell, Inc., MC 112184 (Sub 50), The Manfredi Motor Transit Company, MC 110525 (Sub 1161), Chemical Leaman Tank Lines, Inc., MC 109478 (Sub 146), Worster Motor Lines, Inc., MC 107496 (Sub 1037), Ruan Transport Corporation, MC 6607 (Sub 17), J.J. Minnehan, Inc., MC 80428 (Sub 93), McBride Transportation, Inc. and 107403 (Sub 980) now being assigned February 15, 1977 at the Offices of the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington, D.C.

H. G. HOMME, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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FOURTH SECTION APPLICATIONS FOR RELIEF

NOVEMBER 11, 1976.

An application, as summarized below, has been filed requesting relief from the requirements of Section 4 of the Interstate Commerce Act to permit common carriers named or described in the application to maintain higher rates and charges at intermediate points than those sought to be established at more distant points.

Protests to the granting of an application must be prepared in accordance with Rule 40 of the General Rules of Practice (49 CFR 1100.40) and filed within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

FSA No. 43270—*Iron or Steel Articles from Minnequa, Colorado.* Filed by Trans-Continental Freight Bureau Agent, (No. 505), for interested rail carriers. Rates on iron or steel articles, in carloads, as described in the application, from Minnequa, Colorado, to points in California on the Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company.

Grounds for relief—Motor carrier competition.

FSA No. 43272—*Joint Water-Rail Container Rates—Orient Overseas Container Line, Inc.* Filed by Orient Overseas Container Line, Inc., (No. 3), for itself and interested rail carriers. Rates