In the Matter of the Petition

of

INDUSTRIAL DIVISION
OF MECCA BROTHERS, INC.

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State of New York County of Albany

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OF MECCA BROTHERS, INC.
For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or :
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of Sales & Use
Taxes under Article(s) 28 & 29 of the
Tax Law for the XYEAXXXXXX Period (6X) :
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Catherine Steele , being duly sworn, deposes and says that

she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of

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Saperston, Esq.(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows: Howard T. Saperston, Esq.

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815 Liberty Bank Building

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# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

### TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227 ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

August 4, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518457-3850

Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers, Inc. 2200 Waldon Avenue Buffalo, New York 14202

### Gentlemen:

Please take notice of the **DETERMINATION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 1138 & 1243 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

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Supervising Tax Hearing Officer

cc:

Petitioner's Representative:

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

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STATE TAX COMMISSION

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for Revision of a Determination or for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Articles: 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the Period February 28, 1971 through November 30, 1971.:

Applicant, Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers Inc., 2200 Walden Avenue, Buffalo, New York 14225, applied for revision of a determination or for refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period February 28, 1971 through November 30, 1971.

A formal hearing was held at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Buffalo, New York, on September 10, 1974 before L. Robert Leisner, Hearing Officer. The taxpayer was represented by Howard T. Saperston, Esq. and the Sales Tax Bureau was represented by Saul Heckelman, Esq. (James Scott, Esq. of counsel).

### ISSUE

When accounts receivable in 1971 were not collected in full could the taxpayer, Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers Inc., prorate sales tax previously collected and paid and receive credits and refunds.

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The taxpayer, Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers Inc., timely filed New York State sales and use tax returns for the period February 28, 1971 through November 30, 1971.
- 2. A Notice of Determination of Sales Tax for the periods in issue was issued under notice number 90,729,070. After conference and discussion which treated with taxpayer's letter of September 10, 1973 dealing with 12 items, a new Notice of Determination of sales and use taxes and penalties for the period February 28, 1971 through November 30, 1971 was issued on January 4, 1974 against Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers Inc. under notice number 90,732,827.
- 3. The taxpayer applied for a revision of the determination of the deficiencies in sales tax and demanded sales tax credits for sales tax collected and paid on credit sales where there had been repossessions.
- 4. The taxpayer asserted that where the full sales tax was collected and paid on a credit sale, where part of the sale price is uncollected, the seller should receive a refund or credit of tax proportionate to the ratio which the uncollected account bears to the total selling price.

- 5. The Sales Tax Bureau asserted that first monies received on an account receivable are applied to the sales tax due. When the amount of money received equals or exceeds the sales tax due, no credit is allowed against any remaining uncollectible portion of the account for sales tax purposes.
- 6. Credits of \$2,576.25 were denied and penalties and interest of \$732.00 asserted and notice #90,732,827 asserted deficiencies of tax, penalty and interest totaling \$3,308.25.
- 7. Taxpayer, Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers Inc., acted in good faith throughout this controversy.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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- B. This rule was changed by Regulation 525.5 effective December 1, 1974. The regulation is not retroactive.

- C. The taxpayer, Industrial Division of Mecca Brothers
  Inc., acted in good faith throughout this controversy and all
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  - D. The deficiencies in sales tax are otherwise sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York August 4, 1976

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