STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of MORRISON RAILWAY SUPPLY CORP. : For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund

of Sales & Use Taxes under Article(s) 28 & 29 of the Tax Law for the Xxxx(x) or Period(s) 8/1/65 through 2/28/69

State of New York County of

Carmen M. Mottolese , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 25tklay of June , 1976, she served the within Notice of Determination by (certified) mail upon Morrison Railway Supply Corp. (Representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Morrison Railway Supply Corp.

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10 Lafayette Square Buffalo, New York

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the <u>(representative</u> <u>Atx the</u>) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the <u>(representative of the</u>) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

25th day of June

, 1976 Carmin M Mottolese

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STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

STATE TAX COMMISSION

TAX APPEALS BUREAU STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

June 25, 1976

TELEPHONE: (518457-3850

Morrison Railway Supply Corp. 10 Lafayette Square Buffalo, New York

Gentlemen:

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

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 1138 & 1250 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.

Paul Coburn

Enc.

Supervising Tax Hearing Officer

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Taxing Bureau's Representative:

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STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of MORRISON RAILWAY SUPPLY CORP. for a Revision of a Determination or for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the Period August 1, 1965 through February 28, 1969.

DETERMINATION

Applicant, Morrison Railway Supply ^Corp., 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York, applied for a revision of a determination or for refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period August 1, 1965 through February 28, 1969. (File No. 16-0560180).

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A formal hearing was held at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Buffalo, New York, on February 8, 1973, before L. Robert Leisner, Hearing Officer. The taxpayer appeared by E. B. Heller, taxpayer's vice president. The Sales Tax Bureau appeared by Saul Heckelman, Esq. (Francis X. Boylan, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Is the vendor liable for interest incurred due to late payment of sales tax when purchaser presented vendor with a purported exemption certificate?

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The taxpayer, Morrison Railway Supply Corp., timely filed New York State sales and use tax returns for the period August 1, 1965 through February 28, 1969.

2. A Notice of Determination of sales and use taxes including interest computed at six percent per annum and penalties thereon for the period August 1, 1965 through February 28, 1969, was issued on January 5, 1970, against Morrison Railway Supply Corp., under Notice No. 90,741,221.

3. The applicant, Morrison Railway Supply Corporation, sells railroad cars and performs remedial maintenance on the equipment it sells. During the period in question, the applicant performed such maintenance for E. I. Dupont DeNemours & Company (Dupont) of Wilmington, Delaware, which made taxable purchases of materials from the applicant in the course of these repairs. The applicant did not collect any tax since Dupont presented it a purported exemption certificate.

4. On audit, the applicant was informed that the Dupont certificate was not valid for the purpose of exempting Dupont from payment of tax on the transactions in question.

5. The applicant paid the tax and interest due. Dupont thereafter reimbursed the applicant for the tax paid but failed to pay any of the \$890.00 in interest computed on the tax due.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That, the applicant, Morrison Railway Supply Corporation, was liable for interest due on late tax payment and was properly required to pay such interest. The applicant was a vendor of tangible personal property and was required to collect sales tax. By virtue of section 1133 of the Tax Law, persons required to collect tax are personally liable for the tax imposed. Section 1145(a) of the Tax Law imposes penalties and interest on any person failing to pay or pay over any tax to the Tax Commission within the period required by law. Under the law in effect prior to September 1, 1973, the Tax Commission may not remit interest imposed at the rate of six percent per year upon delinquent taxes.

B. That, the petition is denied.

DATED: Albany, New York June 25, 1976

STATE TAX COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER

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