of

International Heating & Air Conditioning

Division Well-McClain

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision

of a Determination or a Refund of

Sales & Use Tax

under Article 28 & 29 of the Tax Law

for the Period 3/1/73-2/28/75.

State of New York County of Albany

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International Heating & Air Conditioning Division Well-McClain 17250 Dallas Pkwy.

Dallas, TX 75248

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.

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October 17, 1980

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#### Gentlemen:

Please take notice of the Decision of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

You have now exhausted your right of review at the administrative level. Pursuant to section(s) 1138 & 1243 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision by the State Tax Commission can only be instituted under Article 78 of the Civil Practice Laws and Rules, and must be commenced in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Albany County, within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision may be addressed to:

NYS Dept. Taxation and Finance Deputy Commissioner and Counsel Albany, New York 12227 Phone # (518) 457-6240

Very truly yours,

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cc: Petitioner's Representative
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In the Matter of the Petition

of

INTERNATIONAL HEAT &
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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 March 1, 1972 through February 28, 1973.

DECISION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

INTERNATIONAL HEAT & AIR CONDITIONING,
DIV. WEIL-MCLAIN COMPANY

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 March 1, 1973 through February 28, 1975.

Petitioner, International Heat & Air Conditioning Corporation, formarly of 2007 Beechgrove Place, Utica, New York 13501, filed a petition 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 March 1, 1972 through February 28, 1973 (File No. 15120).

Petitioner, International Heat & Air Conditioning, Div. Weil-McMain
Company, formerly of 2007 Beechgrove Place, Utica, New York 13501, filed a
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under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period March 1, 1973 through
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A combined small claims hearing was held before Judy M. Clark, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 207 Genesee Street, Utica, New York, on September 21, 1979 at 10:45 A.M. Petitioners appeared by David A. Barker, Assistant Tax Manager. The Audit Division appeared by Ralph J. Vecchio, Esq. (Kathy Sanderson, Esq., of counsel).

#### **ISSUES**

- I. Whether the purchase by petitioners of a chemical known as Kylol is subject to the sales tax.
- II. Whether labor charges for the reworking of dies used in petitioners' manufacturing process are subject to the sales tax.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On March 8, 1976, the Audit Division issued a Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due against International Heat & Air Conditioning Corporation for the period March 1, 1972 through February 28, 1973 in the amount of \$5,456.80 tax plus penalties and interest as a result of a field audit. Petitioner executed consents extending the period of limitation for assessment to March 20, 1976.
- 2. On March 12, 1976, the Audit Division issued a Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due against International Heat & Air Conditioning, Div. Weil-McLain Company for the period March 1, 1973 through February 28, 1975 in the amount of \$12,735.92 tax plus penalties and interest as a result of a field audit.
- 3. The Notice issued on March 8, 1976 against International Heat & Air Conditioning Corporation was reduced to tax due of \$4,699.08. Petitioner agreed to and paid \$4,272.36 of the tax adjusted, leaving tax due of \$426.72.

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Div. Weil-McLain Company was reduced to tax due of \$11,298.32. Petitioner agreed to and paid \$8,791.62 of the tax adjusted, leaving tax due of \$2,506.70.

- 4. It was the Audit Division's position on the remaining portions of the Notices issued that a chemical known as Xylol purchased by petitioners was subject to the sales tax as a retail purchase. Labor charges for the reworking of dies were also held taxable under section 1105(c) (3) of the Tax Law.
- 5. Petitioners contended that Xylol was an ingredient of paint or added to paint which was subsequently applied to products manufactured by them. No evidence was submitted to show that the Xylol became a physical component part of a product manufactured.
- 6. Petitioners manufactured heating and air conditioning equipment. In the manufacturing process, dies were used to produce various parts for sale.

  When a die became obsolete, petitioners had the die reworked (altered or modified) to a design which would produce a useful part.
- 7. Petitioners argued that section 1105(c)(3) of the Tax Law does not apply to labor charges for the reworking of dies since the charges are not for installing, maintaining, servicing or repairing tangible personal property. Petitioners also argued that a purchase of a new die, which requires labor to produce the die, would be exempt under section 1115(a)(12). Therefore, they reasoned that the charge for labor on an existing die should also be exempt.
- 8. On April 21, 1975, the Sales Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due against International Heat & Air Conditioning, Div. Weil-McLain Company, Inc. for the period March 1, 1973 through August 31, 1973 in the total amount of \$17,873.06 including tax, penalties and interest. The Notice was issued based on estimated taxable sales and the disallowance of a credit claimed.

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Upon audit, the Division noted in its field audit report that the above Notice should be canceled since any tax due was included in the field audit results (Finding of Fact #2).

On June 15, 1977, the Central Office Audit Bureau distributed a corporation tax refund due Weil-McLain Company, Inc. as follows:

\$17,873.06 to Notice issued April 21, 1975

6,951.94 to Notice issued March 12, 1976 (Finding of Fact #2)
\$24,825.00 Total Corporation Tax Refund

Petitioner timely filed applications for credit or refund of sales or use tax, of which the processing is pending the results of this hearing.

9. Petitioners acted in good faith.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That petitioners failed to show that the Xylol was a physical component part of a product produced for sale; therefore, the purchases of Xylol are taxable under section 1105(a) of the Tax Law as determined by the Audit Division.
- B. That the charges for reworking of dies used in petitioners' manufacturing process is fabrication, and that such charges for fabricating are taxable within the meaning and intent of section 1105(c)(2) of the Tax Law.
- C. That the penalties and interest in excess of the minimum statutory rate are cancelled.
- D. That although no petition regarding the circumstances of the allocation of the corporation tax refund was filed prior to the hearing, it is apparent that an over-payment of tax has been made (Findings of Fact Nos. 3 and 8) and is subject to refund.
- E. That the Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes issued April 21, 1975 as per Finding of Fact "8" is cancelled.

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F. That the petitions of International Heat & Air Conditioning Corporation and International Heat & Air Conditioning, Div. Weil-McLain Company are granted to the extent indicated in Conclusions "C" and "E" above. The Audit Division is hereby directed to modify accordingly the Notices of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due issued March 8, 1976 and March 12, 1976 and to resume processing of the refunds applied for. That, except as so granted, the petitions are in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York

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