order shall become final upon service. Delivery by the United States Postal Service of the complaint and decision containing the agreed-to order to proposed respondent's address as stated in this Agreement shall constitute service. Proposed respondent waives any right it may have to any other manner of service. The complaint may be used in construing the terms of the order, and no agreement, understanding, representation, or interpretation not contained in the order or the Agreement may be used to vary or contradict the terms of the order.

7. Proposed respondent has read the proposed complaint and order contemplated hereby. Proposed respondent understands that once the order has been issued, it will be required to file verified written reports showing that it has fully complied with the order. Proposed respondent further understands that it may be liable for civil penalties in the amount provided by law for each violation of the order after it becomes final.

## Order

Ι

It is ordered that, as used in this order, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. "Respondent" or "Penn Traffic" means The Penn Traffic Company, its predecessors, subsidiaries, divisions, and groups and affiliates controlled by The Penn Traffic Company, their successors and assigns, and their directors, officers, employees, agents, and representatives.
- B. "Assets to be divested" means the assets described in Paragraph II. A. of this order.
- C. "Commission" means the Federal Trade Commission.
- D. "Supermarket" means a full-line retail grocery store that carries a wide variety of food and grocery items in particular product categories, including bread and dairy products; refrigerated and frozen food and beverage products; fresh and prepared meats and poultry; produce, including fresh fruits and vegetables; shelf-stable food and beverage products, including canned and other types of packaged products; staple foodstuffs, which may include salt, sugar, flour, sauces, spices, coffee, and tea; and other grocery products, including nonfood items such as soaps, detergents, paper goods, other household products, and health and beauty aids.

II

It is further ordered that:

- A. Respondent shall divest, absolutely and in good faith, within twelve months from the date this order becomes final:
- 1. The "Acme" supermarket located at River and Park Streets, Borough of Towanda, Pennsylvania;
- 2. The "Acme" supermarket located on Kennedy Boulevard in Pittston, Pennsylvania; and

3. An "Acme" or a Penn Traffic supermarket located in the Township of Mount Carmel, Pennsylvania.

The assets to be divested shall include the grocery business operated, and all assets, leases, properties, business and goodwill, tangible and intangible, utilized in the distribution or sale of groceries at the locations that are divested.

B. Respondent shall divest the assets to be divested only to an acquirer or acquirers that receive the prior approval of the Commission and only in a manner that receives the prior approval of the Commission. The purpose of the divestiture is to ensure the continuation of the assets to be divested as ongoing, viable enterprises engaged in the supermarket business and to remedy the lessening of competition resulting from the acquisition as alleged in the Commission's complaint.

C. Pending divestiture of such assets to be divested, respondent shall take such actions as are necessary to maintain the viability and marketability of such assets to be divested and to prevent the destruction, removal, wasting, deterioration, or impairment of such assets to be divested except in the ordinary course of business and except for ordinary wear and tear.

D. Respondent shall comply with all the terms of the Asset Maintenance Agreement attached to this Order and made a part hereof as Appendix I. The Asset Maintenance Agreement shall continue in effect until such time as respondent has divested all of the assets to be divested.

III

It is further ordered that: A. If respondent has not divested, absolutely and in good faith and with the Commission's prior approval, such assets to be divested within twelve months from the date this order becomes final, the Commission may appoint a trustee to divest any of the remaining assets to be divested. In the event that the Commission or the Attorney General brings an action pursuant to § 5(l) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. 45(*l*), or any other statute enforced by the Commission, respondent shall consent to the appointment of a trustee in such action. Neither the appointment of a

trustee nor a decision not to appoint a trustee under this Paragraph shall preclude the Commission or the Attorney General from seeking civil penalties or any other relief available to it, including a court-appointed trustee, pursuant to § 5(1) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, or any other statute enforced by the Commission, for any failure by the respondent to comply with this order.

B. If a trustee is appointed by the Commission or a court pursuant to Paragraph III. A. of this order, respondent shall consent to the following terms and conditions regarding the trustee's powers, duties, authority, and responsibilities:

- 1. The Commission shall select the trustee, subject to the consent of respondent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The trustee shall be a person with experience and expertise in acquisitions and divestitures. If respondent has not opposed, in writing, including the reasons for opposing, the selection of any proposed trustee within ten (10) days after written notice by the staff of the Commission to respondent of the identity of any proposed trustee, respondent shall be deemed to have consented to the selection of the proposed trustee.
- 2. Subject to the prior approval of the Commission, the trustee shall have the exclusive power and authority to divest any of the remaining assets to be divested.
- 3. Within ten (10) days after appointment of the trustee, respondent shall execute a trust agreement that, subject to the prior approval of the Commission and, in the case of a courtappointed trustee, of the court, transfers to the trustee all right and powers necessary to permit the trustee to effect the divestitures required by this order.
- 4. The trustee shall have twelve (12) months from the date the Commission or court approves the trust agreement described in Paragraph III.B.3. to accomplish the divestitures, which shall be subject to the prior approval of the Commission. If, however, at the end of the twelve-month period, the trustee has submitted a plan of divestiture or believes that divestiture can be achieved within a reasonable time, the divestiture period may be extended by the Commission, or, in the case of a courtappointed trustee, by the court; provided, however, the Commission may extend this 12-month period only two (2) times.
- 5. The trustee shall have full and complete access to the personnel, books, records and facilities related to any of the remaining assets to be divested or to