

DECISION



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548**

8651 A. Boyle

Part I

FILE: B-192149

DATE: December 19, 1978

MATTER OF: Sea-Land Service, Inc.--request for reconsideration

DIGEST:

[Decision Will Not Be Reconsidered Without Specific Expression of Interest From Court]

Absent additional specific expression of interest from court, GAO will not reconsider decision rendered in response to initial specific expression of interest from court.

For the second time, Sea-Land Service, Inc. (Sea-Land), requests reconsideration of our decision in the matter of Foss Alaska Line, 57 Comp. Gen. (B-192149, September 12, 1978), 78-2 CPD 192. That decision was rendered in response to an expression of interest from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey in connection with civil action No. 78-1223, entitled Sea-Land Service, Inc. v. Brown, et al..

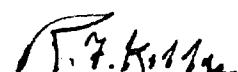
Sea-Land's initial request for reconsideration was dismissed--without consideration on the merits--because the court had not indicated an interest in our Office reconsidering the decision and absent such an additional expression of interest, it is our policy not to decide matters where, as here, the material issues are before a court of competent jurisdiction. Sea-Land Service, Inc., B-192149, October 16, 1978, 78-2 CPD 278.

Sea-Land argues that the September 12, 1978, decision should be reconsidered because (1) it did not consider the merits of two bases of protest which were determined to be untimely, and (2) it contained errors of fact or law. But Sea-Land offers no information, either new or not previously considered, to indicate that the court expects our Office to reconsider the merits of the matter or to further explain our prior decision.

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As previously stated in the October 16, 1978, decision, we have rendered our decision in response to the court's request and, absent another expression of interest from the court, we will take no further action on the merits of the matter. Accordingly, Sea-Land's reconsideration request is dismissed.



Deputy Comptroller General
of the United States