

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

COMMISSIONERS: **Timothy J. Muris, Chairman**
 Mozelle W. Thompson
 Orson Swindle
 Thomas B. Leary
 Pamela Jones Harbour

In the Matter of)	
)	
Union Oil Company of California,)	Docket No. 9305
a corporation)	
)	

**ORDER REVERSING AND VACATING THE INITIAL DECISION AND ORDER
AND REMANDING FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS**

The Commission has heard the appeal of Counsel Supporting the Complaint from the Initial Decision dismissing the Complaint in this proceeding and has considered the briefs and oral arguments in support of and in opposition to the appeal. For the reasons stated in the accompanying Opinion, the Commission has determined to reverse and vacate the Initial Decision and to vacate the Order accompanying it, and to remand this matter for further proceedings. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Initial Decision granting Respondent’s motions to dismiss the Complaint in this proceeding be, and hereby is, reversed and vacated, and that the Order accompanying the Initial Decision be, and hereby is, vacated;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this matter be, and hereby is, remanded to an Administrative Law Judge for further proceedings in accordance with the accompanying Opinion; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an Administrative Law Judge schedule an adjudicative hearing to begin as soon as practicable.

By the Commission.

C. Landis Plummer
Acting Secretary

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ISSUED: July 6, 2004