Decision No. 16889.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )
CHANNEL LIGHTERAGE COMPANY, )
a corporation, for an order authoriz-)
ing issue of stock.

Application No. 12738

J.J.Lerman, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION

In this application the Railroad Commission is asked to make an order authorizing Channel Lighterage Company, a corporation, to issue and deliver to George V. Freethy 997 shares of its capital stock, of the aggregate par value of \$9,970.00, in consideration and exchange for the personal property and equipment of George V. Freethy, described in the application, and authorizing it to issue and sell for cash such of the stock herein applied for as shall not be authorized to be issued in exchange for said property and equipment.

It appears that George V. Freethy for a number of years past has been engaged in operating vessels for the transportation of persons and property, for compensation, on the Bay of San Francisco and its tributaries, and in connection therewith, rendering general towing and other services, and that on or about November 23, 1925 he caused the organization of Channel Lighterage Company, a corporation, applicant herein, for the purpose of acquiring and thereafter operating his properties and business.

The corporation has an authorized capital stock of \$10,000. divided into 1000 shares of the par value of \$10. each, all common, of which three shares, held by its incorporators and directors, are outstanding. By Decision No. 16215, \*\*ated March 17, 1926, the corporation was granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate vessels for the transportation of property, for compensation, on the inland waters of the State of California, on the bay of San Francisco and its tributaries, between the points and under the rates, rules and regulations specifically set forth in tariffs theretofore issued by and in the hame of George V.

Freethy and on file with the Commission.

The properties to be transferred are described in some detail in Exhibit "C" attached to the application, and include one towboat, two barges and equipment consisting of tarpauling, hand-trucks, tow-lines, etc., all of an estimated value of \$10,005.00. The record herein shows that George V. Freethy is willing to accept \$9,970.00 of stock in full payment for his properties and that the properties willing bettransferred free and clear of all lines and indebtedness. We have considered the request of applicant and believe that it should be permitted to issue not exceeding \$8,500.00 of stock to acquire the properties described in this application.

## ORDER

Channel Lighterage Company, having applied to the Railroad Commission for permission to issue \$10,000.00 of stock, a
public hearing having been held before Examiner Fankhauser and the
Railroad Commission being of the opinion that the applicant should
be permitted to issue \$8,500. of stock and that the issue of such
amount of stock is reasonably required by applicant for the purpose
specified herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Channel Lighterage Company be, and it is hereby, authorized to issue, on or before August 31,1926, 850 shares of ats capital stock of the aggregate par value of \$8,500.00, in full payment for the property and equipment, free and clear of all indebtedness, of George V. Freethy, described in Exhibit "C" filed in this proceeding and referred to in the foregoing opinion.

IT IS HERESY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall become effective upon the date hereof and that applicant shall keep such record of the issue and delivery of the stock herein authorized as will enable it to file, within thirty days after such issue, a verified report, as required by the Railroad Commission's General Order No. 24, which order insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that this application insofar as it involves the issue of \$1,500.00 of stock, be, and the same is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of June, 1926.

Commissioners.