

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 2742

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the Application of )  
RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND )  
TRANSPORTATION COMPANY for an order ) Application  
authorizing the issue of 750 shares ) No. 1828.  
of capital stock. )

James M. Oliver and Henry A. Jacobs  
for applicant.

GORDON, Commissioner.

OPINION.

This is an application of RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY for authority to issue 750 shares of stock of the par value of \$100. per share for the purpose of building a larger and faster ferry boat and to provide for such increased facilities as may thereby be made necessary.

Applicant operates a ferry line between Richmond, Contra Costa County, and San Rafael, Marin County. This line forms a short route between Alameda and Contra Costa counties and Napa, Sonoma, Marin and neighboring counties. It is also a connecting link between two sections of the state highway now under construction.

During the three months of its operation, the Company's records show that it has carried approximately 5200 automobiles and 27,000 passengers.

At the present time the company leases a ferry boat from the Association of Mare Island Employees at a rental of \$250.00 per month. Experience has shown

this boat to be inadequate both in size and speed, and the company now desires to build a new boat capable of carrying 50 automobiles and of maintaining a one-hour schedule if traffic demands. At the present time, the Company provides a two-hour service, making 5 trips on week days and 7 or more on Sundays and holidays.

As evidence of the inadequacy of the present facilities, witness for applicant stated that as many as 86 automobiles have sometimes stood in line awaiting transportation. If this application is granted, the company expects to have the new boat completed within 7 or 8 months time.

Applicant has not yet made final arrangements for the building of its new boat, or for the construction of additional facilities and any order in this application must of necessity be based upon the filing of additional data as to these expenditures.

Applicant was incorporated March 27, 1915, under the laws of the State of California with an authorized capitalization of \$100,000 divided into 1000 shares of the par value of \$100. per share. By the terms of this Commission's Decision No. 2624, applicant was authorized to issue 250 shares of stock for organization expenses and to defray the cost of constructing docks, wharves, etc.

At the hearing of the present application, the company submitted a balance sheet, which shows its condition as of August 1, 1915, as follows:

ASSETS:

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Fixed Capital, . . . . .       | \$26,175.50   |
| Cash and Deposits, . . . . .   | 1,072.75      |
| Accounts Receivable, . . . . . | <u>947.35</u> |
|                                | \$28,195.60   |

LIABILITIES:

|                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Capital Stock, . . . . .            | \$25,000.00   |
| Accounts Payable, . . . . .         | 1,771.51      |
| Reserve for Depreciation, . . . . . | 525.00        |
| Surplus, . . . . .                  | <u>899.09</u> |
|                                     | \$28,195.60   |

Applicant has also submitted an income account for the 3 months ending July 31, 1915, as follows:

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|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Operating Revenues, . . . . . | \$ 8,219.15     |
| Operating Expenses, . . . . . | <u>6,795.06</u> |
| Gross Income, . . . . .       | \$ 1,424.09     |
| Depreciation, . . . . .       | <u>525.00</u>   |
| Net Income, . . . . .         | \$ 899.09       |

Applicant has made no arrangements for the sale of the stock herein applied for, but states that it expects to sell the same at par to present stockholders.

After consideration of the evidence submitted by applicant, I am of the opinion that this application should be granted and I accordingly submit the following form of order.

O R D E R.

RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY having applied to this Commission for authority to

issue 750 shares of stock of the par value of \$100.00 per share for the purposes set forth in the opinion which precedes this order;

And it appearing to this Commission that applicant's request is reasonable and should be granted and that the purposes for which it is proposed to issue said stock are not reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY be, and it is hereby authorized to issue 750 shares of its capital stock of the par value of \$100.00 per share for the purpose of defraying the cost of constructing a new ferry boat and to provide for such increased facilities as may be made necessary by the operation of said boat.

The order herein is granted upon the following conditions and not otherwise:

- (1).- Before issuing any of the stock herein authorized, applicant shall file with this Commission a detailed statement as to the cost of the new boat which it proposes to build, and such other additions and betterments to its property as it proposes to pay for out of the proceeds of the stock herein authorized, and shall secure from this Commission a supplemental order approving the same.
- (2).- The stock herein authorized shall be issued by applicant at not less than its par value of \$100.00 per share.
- (3).- RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY shall keep separate, true and accurate accounts

showing the receipt and application in detail of the proceeds of the sale of the stock herein authorized to be issued; and on or before the twenty-fifth day of each month the company shall make verified reports to the Commission stating the sale or sales of said stock during the preceding month, the terms and conditions of the sale, the moneys realized therefrom, and the use and application of such moneys, all in accordance with this Commission's General Order No. 24, which in so far as possible, is made a part of this order.

(4).

The authority herein granted RICHMOND AND SAN RAFAEL FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY to issue stock shall apply only to such stock as shall have been issued on or before August 31, 1916.

The foregoing Opinion and Order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1915.

Max Wheeler

Wm. A. Gordon

Edwin D. Edgerton

Frank R. Berlin

Commissioners.