OF FRIMAL

Decision No. 32267

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC FREIGET LINES, a corporation, for Authority to Execute an Amended Agreement Covering Purchase of Los Angeles Terminal Property.

Application No. 22924

## BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION AND ORDER

The Railroad Commission, by Decision No. 29838, dated June 7, 1937, in Application No. 21233, authorized Pacific Rreight Lines to execute an agreement with Patten-Blinn Lumber Co. for the purchase of certain real property in Los Angeles, upon which is located its principal freight station and general office, for the sum of \$354,000. payable in the amount of \$25,000. upon execution of the indenture and thereafter in monthly installments of \$2,500. and in addition, the sum of \$15,000. on July 1, 1937 and \$15,000. on the first days of January and July in each year thereafter, with interest on the unpaid balance at the rate of five-percent. per annum, provided that the total purchase price be paid on or before July 1, 1940.

Pacific Freight Lines now reports that the principal amount of the purchase price has been reduced from \$354,000. to \$292,872.45, but that due to strikes and payroll increases it has been unable to make all the payments called for in the agreement. It reports further that the vendor, that is, Patten-Blinn Lumber Co., has waived certain payments, but that now it is desired by both parties to

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execute a new agreement so as to provide for the discharge of the unpaid balance of the purchase price at a different rate which applicant alleges it will be able to meet without straining its cash position.

Accordingly, the two corporations propose to execute a new agreement superseding the earlier agreement and providing for the retirement of the unpaid balance of \$292,372.45 in installments of \$3,333.00 or more on the first day of each and every month, commencing on the first day of September, 1939, which said payments shall be applied on the principal sum, together with interest on the balance of the purchase price remaining unpaid at the rate of five percent. per annum, payable monthly with said installments, provided that the total purchase price be paid on or before May 1, 1944. A copy of the agreement is filed in this proceeding as Exhibit A.

Applicant requests permission to execute said agreement. The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary and that the request should be granted, as herein provided, therefore,

IT IS HEREEY ORDERED, that Pacific Freight Lines be, and it hereby is, authorized to execute on or before October 31, 1939, an agreement with Patten-Blinn Lumber Co. in, or substantially in the same form as that filed as Exhibit A in this proceeding,

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, that the authority herein granted shall become effective upon the date hereof.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this / 4 day of August, 1939.

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COMMISSIONERS