

Decision No. 33806

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock)
for permission to take over the pro-)
perty and the operations of the)
Shafter Warehouse Company, Shafter,)
California, (warehouse building and)
equipment owned by M. E., L. H. and)
W. H. Hitchcock) and to operate same)
as the Shafter Warehouse Company,)
Warehouse Dept., J. J. Siemens and)
W. H. Hitchcock, proprietors.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 23695

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application M. E. Hitchcock, L. H. Hitchcock and W. H. Hitchcock, copartners, doing business as the Shafter Warehouse Company, seek authority to transfer property used in the operation of a public utility warehouse at Shafter to a copartnership consisting of J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock. The considerations involved are \$1.00 which M. E. Hitchcock and L. H. Hitchcock are to receive for their interest in the property and business, and \$2,500.00 which J. J. Siemens is to invest in the operations proposed to be conducted by the transferees. It is represented that the money invested by Siemens will be used to enlarge the warehouse structure, to provide additional equipment, and to otherwise improve the facilities involved; and that in all other respects service to the public will not be altered.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted. Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that M. E. Hitchcock, L. H. Hitchcock

and W. H. Hitchcock, copartners, doing business as Shafter Warehouse Company, be and they are hereby authorized to transfer to J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock property used in public utility warehouse operations at Shafter, and J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock, copartners, be and they are hereby authorized to acquire said property, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicants M. E. Hitchcock, L. H. Hitchcock and W. H. Hitchcock shall, within sixty (60) days from the date of this order and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, unite with applicants J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock in a common supplement to the tariff now on file with the Commission in the name of the Shafter Warehouse Company, applicants M. E. Hitchcock, L. H. Hitchcock and W. H. Hitchcock withdrawing, and applicants J. J. Siemens and W. H. Hitchcock adopting and establishing such tariff as their own.

2. The considerations to be paid for the property herein authorized to be transferred shall never be urged as a measure of value of said property for rate fixing purposes or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

3. The rights and privileges herein authorized to be conveyed may neither be sold, leased, transferred nor assigned nor may service thereunder be discontinued in the absence of the written authorization of this Commission to such sale, lease, transfer, assignment or discontinuance.

4. The authority herein granted shall lapse and be void if the parties hereto shall not have complied with all of the conditions within the period of time fixed herein unless, for good cause shown, the time shall be extended by further order of the

Commission.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of
January, 1941.

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Ray & Brey
Justin J. Caenen
Francis L. Havens
Commissioners