

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 40257

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of)
ECKHART SEED COMPANY)
for order authorizing borrowing)
of money and execution of note.)
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Application
No. 28373

OPINION AND ORDER

Howard C. Eckhart and C. H. Eckhart, Jr., co-partners
doing business under the firm name and style of Eckhart Seed Com-
pany, are engaged, among other things, in the operation of a
warehouse and seed business in Monterey County. Their 1946
annual report to the Commission shows their investment in public
utility warehouse property at \$87,932.80 and in non-utility pro-
perty at \$61,173.30, and their warehouse operating revenues at
\$12,738.25 and non-warehouse operating revenues at \$257,598.98.

It appears that on December 29, 1944, under authority
heretofore granted by the Commission, the partnership executed a
deed of trust and a mortgage of chattels and issued a note in the
principal amount of \$48,560, which amount since has been reduced
to \$37,760, and that the partnership now desires to borrow an addi-
tional sum of \$20,000 to be secured by said deed of trust and
mortgage of chattels. The additional borrowing will be repre-
sented by a note payable on demand and, if no demand is made,
payable on December 29, 1954, with interest at the rate of five

percent per annum, payable quarterly. The company agrees to pay \$2,900 yearly on the principal amount, beginning April 1, 1948. A copy of the note is on file in this application.

Applicant intends to use the proceeds from the additional loan to enlarge one of its warehouses so as to provide additional floor space of 7,000 square feet to be used for bean storage, and to provide for the erection of eight tanks of fifty tons capacity each, for handling beans in bulk storage in said warehouse.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, that the application should be granted, as herein provided, and that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for through the issue of the note is reasonably required for the purposes specified herein, which purposes are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Howard C. Eckhart and C. H. Eckhart, Jr., after the effective date hereof and on or before July 31, 1947, may issue a note in the principal amount of not exceeding \$20,000 in, or substantially in, the same form as the copy of the note filed in this proceeding, for the purposes of constructing and acquiring the additional facilities referred to herein.

2. Applicants shall file with the Commission a report of the issue of the note and the disposition of the proceeds, as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

3. The authority herein granted will become effective when applicant has paid the minimum fee prescribed by Section 57 of the Public Utilities Act, which fee is Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 13th day of May, 1947.

Harold H. Kula

James H. Powell

A. J. Anderson

Herbert P. Potter
Commissioners

