Decision No. 46954



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Pacific Freight Lines for permission to execute extension agreements covering payments of purchase price of automotive equipment purchased under conditional sales contracts.

Application No. 33255

OPINION AND ORDER

Pacific Freight Lines has filed this application for authorization to execute agreements extending the time for payment of balances due, or to become due, under conditional sales contracts now outstanding.

The application shows that during 1951, in order to provide for the acquisition of equipment, applicant entered into 17 contracts, which now are held by Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, providing for total payments of \$455,580.24, as follows:

Total down payments

Eleven monthly installments of \$7,403.51
each, aggregating
Total final payments on the twelfth month

Total

Total

\$91,113.73

\$1,438.61

283,027.90

The contracts dated prior to June, 1951, provide for payment of interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum and those dated later than June of that year at the rate of 5% per annum.

Applicant reports that it does not have sufficient funds to meet the final payments and that the bank has indicated its willingness to enter into extension agreements providing for the payment of the balances over periods of 36 months under some of the contracts and 48 months under the others, at the same rates of interest. A copy of the form of agreement has been filed in this proceeding as Exhibit A. The total monthly payments under said extension agreements will aggregate approximately \$6,300.00.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing thereon is not necessary; that the application should be granted, as herein provided; that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for through the execution of the extension agreements herein authorized is reasonably required by applicant for the purpose specified herein; and that such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Pacific Freight Lines, after the effective date hereof and on or before August 31, 1952, may execute agreements in substantially the same form as that filed in this proceeding as Exhibit A, for the purpose of providing for the extension of the times for final payment of balances due or to become due in the aggregate amount of not exceeding \$283,027.90 under conditional sales contracts now outstanding, as set forth in this application.
- 2. Applicant shall file with the Commission a written statement showing the action taken by it under the authority herein granted.
- 3. The authority herein granted will become effective when applicant has paid the fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is two hundred eighty-four (\$284.00) dollars.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8^{-2} day of April, 1952.

FUELIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Commissioners