

Decision No. 48003

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )
Southern Pacific Milling Company, a )
corporation, for authorization to )
cease operation of a public utility )
warehouse at Salinas, California. )

Application No. 33857

## OPINION AND OFFER

Applicant operates public utility warehouses at various locations in California. By this application it seeks authority to discontinue its operations at Salinas.

The verified application shows that the warehouse operation at Salinas is confined to the storage of beans and grain and that the quantity stored has declined steadily over the past five-year period as truck farms and residential tracts have supplanted grain and bean fields in the Salinas area. The Mitchell-Silliman Company also operates a public utility warehouse at Salinas. Applicant represents that this company has unused storage space adequate to accommodate the volume of beans and grain now stored with applicant and that it is ready and willing to use that space for this purpose. Applicant offers to transfer, at its expense, the beans and grain on hand at its warehouse to the Mitchell-Silliman facilities.

Applicant has notified each of its patrons of the filing of this application. No objection has been offered to its being granted

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary, that the proposed discontinuance of operation at Salinas will not be adverse to the public interest, and that applicant should be permitted to withdraw from these operations, subject



to conditions designed to protect the interests of its patrons.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Milling Company be and it is hereby authorized to discontinue its public utility warehouse operations at Salinas, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant shall continue as a public utility warehouseman, rendering all services specified in its tariffs, at rates and charges therein provided, so long as any property remains in storage in its warehouse; except that from and after the date of filing the written acceptance specified in Condition 2 hereof, applicant shall not be required to receive any additional goods for storage.
- 2. Applicant shall, within ten (10) days after the effective date of this order, file with the Commission its written acceptance of this order, including all of the provisions and conditions thereof.
- 3. Applicant shall cause to be prepared and to be mailed or otherwise delivered to each of its storage patrons on or before twenty (20) days after the effective date of this order, a true and complete copy of this order.
- 4. Applicant's storage patrons may designate any available public warehouse or other location within the vicinity of Salinas to which their stored property shall be moved; however, in the absence of such election on or before thirty (30) days after the effective date here-of, applicant may transport such property to any public utility warehouse within that vicinity.
- 5. Applicant shall pay, for its own account, and at no expense to its patrons, any and all costs connected with the transfer of stored property from its warehouse to other locations, whether designated by its patrons or otherwise, including transportation, the handling charges of the receiving warehouse, and any additional storage charges occasioned by a difference in storage periods between its own and the receiving warehouse.



6. Applicant shall, promptly on removal of all stored property from its warehouse, (a) file with the Commission a verified statement that it has fully complied with Conditions 1 to 5, inclusive, and (b) cancel all tariffs, concurrences and powers of attorney which it has on file with the Commission.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this and any of December, 1952.

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