

Decision No. 49238

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of CAL-CENTRAL TRUCKING CO., INC.,)
a corporation, for authority to)
execute a chattel mortgage and)
promissory note.)
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Application
No. 34788

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing Cal-Central Trucking Co., Inc. to execute a mortgage of chattels and promissory note in the amount of \$8,942.40 for the purpose of refinancing outstanding indebtedness.

Applicant is engaged in business as a highway common carrier of property generally between the Sacramento territory, on the north, and the San Francisco territory, on the south.^{1/} It reports that in the conduct of its business it has found it necessary, in order to render proper service to its customers, to purchase 75 tote bins, which are containers used in facilitating the movement of cargo to and from flat-bed equipment, that the total purchase price of said 75 units was \$20,263, and that there remains an unpaid balance of \$8,942.40 due on the purchase price.

It appears that applicant desires to refinance the remaining balance and that it has arranged to borrow \$8,942.40 from American Trust Company for this purpose, such borrowing to be represented by a promissory note payable in 18 equal monthly

^{1/} Applicant reports operating revenues at \$1,764,744 for 1952 and at \$496,202 for the first six months of 1953, with net profit of \$10,253 for the year 1952 and \$16,945 for the six-months period of 1953.

installments of \$496.80, commencing November 15, 1953. The amount of the note includes interest of \$506.21, being calculated at the rate of 4% per annum.

At June 30, 1953, applicant reported current assets of \$163,820, including cash on hand and in banks in the amount of \$4,772, and current liabilities of \$138,943, exclusive of amounts payable under contracts for the purchase of real estate and equipment. The proposed transaction will not increase the principal amount of applicant's obligations but will improve its financial position by extending the time for payment of the indebtedness referred to in this proceeding over a period of a year and a half. It is our opinion that a public hearing in this matter is not necessary and that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the note herein authorized is reasonably required by applicant for the purpose specified herein, which purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Cal-Central Trucking Co., Inc. may execute a mortgage of chattels and promissory note, on or before December 31, 1953, in the amount of \$8,942.40 for the purpose indicated herein, such mortgage of chattels and promissory note to be in, or substantially in, the same form as that filed in this proceeding as Exhibit 1.

2. Cal-Central Trucking Co., Inc. shall file with the Commission monthly reports 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 Cal-Central Trucking Co., Inc. has paid the minimum fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is \$25.00.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 27th day of October, 1953.

R. F. [Signature]
President

Justin F. [Signature]

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Commissioners

