Decision No. 50290

# ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Cliff H. Northam and Burnice Reid Northam, husband and wife, doing business as Coast Counties Refrigerated Trucks to sell and N. E. M. Lines, Inc., a corporation, to purchase highway common carrier operative rights.

Application No. 35515

In the Matter of the Application of )
N. E. M. Lines, Inc., a California )
corporation, for authority to issue )
shares of its capital stock for cash.)

Application No. 35516

### OPINION

#### Applications

On June 14, 1954, applicants Cliff H. Northam and
Burnice Reid Northam, doing business as Coast Counties Refrigerated
Trucks, hereinafter referred to as Coast Counties, and N. E. M. Lines,
Inc., hereinafter referred to as N. E. M. Lines, filed Application
No. 35515 for Commission authorization and approval of the sale and
transfer of Coast Counties' operative rights as a highway common
carrier to N. E. M. Lines. Concurrently with the filing of this
application, N. E. M. Lines filed Application No. 35516 for authority
to issue 100 shares of its capital stock having par value of \$10 per
share to the following persons: Cliff H. Northam, Burnice Reid
Northam, and Marquam C. George for cash at par value to be used to
purchase the Coast Counties' highway common carrier operative rights
and for working capital.

#### Transfer of Operating Rights

Applicants state in Application No. 35516 that Coast Counties is presently engaged in conducting a highway common carrier

business for the transportation of frozen foodstuffs and beverages between the California points set forth in Decision No. 47469 in Application No. 31681.

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N. E. M. Lines is a corporation engaged in the transportation of frozen foodstuffs and beverages under radial highway common carrier and highway contract carrier permits granted by this Commission. N. E. M. Lines proposes to purchase from Coast Counties for the sum of \$300 pursuant to written agreement, a copy of which is attached to the application as Exhibit A, the operating rights granted to Coast Counties by said Decision No. 47469.

N. E. M. Lines' officers and employees are the same persons owning, operating and managing Coast Counties. As a result of the transfer of the operating rights N. E. M. Lines expects to attract new capital to the business and thus to be able to render better service to the public. An examination of the financial statements attached to the application discloses that N. E. M. Lines has sufficient financial responsibility to enable it to conduct operations under the rights it is seeking to acquire.

We hereby find that the transfer of operating rights as proposed by applicants will not be adverse to the public interest and accordingly the transfer will be authorized.

The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the highway common carrier operative rights herein authorized to be transferred.

#### Issuance of Securities

The Commission hereby finds that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for through the issuance of the 100 shares of \$10 par value capital stock as requested in Application No. 35516 is reasonably required by N. E. M. Lines for the acquisition of the highway common carrier operative rights herein described

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and for working capital; and that such purposes are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income.

N. E. M. Lines will be authorized to issue such securities.

## ORDER

The Commission having considered the above-entitled applications and being of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary and that the applications should be granted as herein provided,

# IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Cliff H. Northam and Burnice Reid Northam, husband and wife, doing business as Coast Counties Refrigerated Trucks, after the effective date hereof and on or before October 31, 1954, may transfer to N. E. M. Lines, Inc., a corporation, the highway common carrier operating rights granted to Cliff H. Northam and Burnice Reid Northam, husband and wife, doing business as Coast Counties Refrigerated Trucks, by Decision No. 47469, dated July 15, 1952, in Application No. 31681, as amended, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement dated June 11, 1954, which appears as Exhibit "A" to Application No. 35515 on file herein.
- 2. N. E. M. Lines, Inc., after the effective date hereof and on or before October 31, 1954, may issue 100 shares of its capital stock having par value of \$10 per share to Cliff H. Northam, Burnice Reid Northam, and Marquam C. George for cash at par value for the purpose of raising funds to be used to purchase the highway common carrier operating rights described above and for working capital.
- 3. Within thirty days after the completion of the transfer herein authorized, N. E. M. Lines, Inc., shall notify the Commission in writing of that fact and file with it a true copy of any bill of sale or other instrument of transfer executed to effect the same.

- 4. N. E. M. Lines Inc., shall file with the Commission a report, or reports, as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, in so far as applicable, is made a part of this order.
- 5. Prior to the effective date of said transfer applicants shall, on not less than five days notice to the Commission and the public, supplement or reissue tariffs on file with the Commission in so far as they name rates, rules and regulations which pertain to the operative rights herein authorized to be transferred to show that Cliff H. Northam and Burnice Reid Northam, doing business as Coast Counties Refrigerated Trucks, have withdrawn or canceled the same and that N. E. M. Lines, Inc., has concurrently adopted or established said rates, rules and regulations as its own. The tariff filings made pursuant to this order shall in all other respects comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of highway common carrier tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 80.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date date hereof.

Commissioners