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Decision No. 50457

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of REPUBLIC VAN AND STORAGE CO., INC. for a Permit to Sell and Issue its) : Application) No. 35697
Preferred Shares.) NO. 33097 :)

OPINION AND ORDER

Republic Van and Storage Co., Inc. has filed this application for authorization to issue and sell 1,000 shares of its 5% cumulative preferred stock of the aggregate par value of \$100,000, at par for cash, for the purpose of providing additional working capital.

Applicant is engaged in the transportation of household goods in intrastate and interstate commerce and in the operation of a public utility warehouse in Los Angeles. It appears that in the conduct of its business applicant has found it necessary to carry a substantial volume of accounts receivable and other current assets. As of June 30, 1954, according to Exhibit A filed in this proceeding, its current assets amounted to \$352,330 and its current liabilities and equipment obligations to \$412,950.

From a review of applicant's financial statements it appears that its volume of business has been increasing, that it has need for additional sums from external sources to augment its working capital and that it has arranged to obtain such sums from the sale of the shares of stock covered by this application. In our opinion a public hearing in this matter is not necessary, the money property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue and sale of the shares of

For the year 1953 applicant reported its warehouse revenue at \$995 and its nonoperating revenues at \$2,920,961, with net income from all sources at \$25,775.

stock herein authorized is reasonably required by applicant for the purpose specified herein, and 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. Republic Van and Storage Co., Inc. may issue and sell 1,000 shares of its preferred stock, at par for cash, for the purpose of providing working capital.
- 2. Applicant shall file with the Commission a report, or 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 upon the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 34th day of August, 1954.

President

Commissioners