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Decision No. <u>58089</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application

of

THOMAS MEZGER and ROSALIE S. MEZGER, husband and wife, for an Order Authorizing Execution of a Promissory Note, Mortgage of Chattels, and Deed of Trust to Secure Said Note.

Application No. 40891

OPINION AND ORDER

Thomas Mezger and Rosalie S. Mezger, applicants herein, are engaged in the general farming business near Robbins, Sutter County, and in the public utility warehouse business near Zamora, Yolo County. In this proceeding, they report that they desire to extend their warehouse plant by the construction of additional bulk grain storage facilities at an approximate cost of \$72,000, and that they have made arrangements and, at this time, seek authorization from the Commission, to borrow \$92,000 from the Crocker-Anglo National Bank to meet, in part, the construction costs and to refinance existing indebtedness of approximately \$30,000. They report that the difference between the total capital requirements and the moneys to be borrowed will be provided from their own funds.

The new borrowing will be represented by a note in the sum of \$92,000, with interest on unpaid principal at the rate of 6% per annum, the principal sum to be payable in equal successive annual installments of \$9,200 each, commencing on December 31, 1959, and

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continuing until March 5, 1969, at which time any unpaid balance of principal and all accrued interest shall be due and payable. The note will be secured by a deed of trust and mortgage of chattels.

In a financial statement filed in this proceeding, applicants report total revenues from their warehouse operations for the year 1958 of \$100,651 and net income of \$25,019, after deducting \$28,442 for depreciation and amortization. Applicants report their total investment in assets, including their nonpublic utility assets, at \$431,439 at the close of 1958, which was represented by \$189,178 of liabilities and \$242,261 of proprietary capital.

The Commission has considered this application and the financial statements of record and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the note herein authorized is reasonably required for the purposes specified herein and that such purposes are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Thomas Mezger and Rosalie S. Mezger, on and after the effective date hereof and on or before August 31, 1959, may execute a deed of trust and a mortgage of chattels in, or substantially in, the same form as those filed in this proceeding and may issue a note in the principal amount not to exceed \$92,000 for the purpose of paying outstanding indebtedness and of financing construction costs.

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2. Thomas Mezger and Rosalie S. Mezger 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 when applicants have paid the fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10 day of March, 1959.

resident Commissioners

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