Decision No. 59379

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application

of

PORT OF STOCKTON GRAIN TERMINAL, INC., A Corporation,

For An Order Authorizing the Execution and Delivery by Applicant of a Deed of Trust On Improved Real Property of Applicant.

Application No. 41690

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing Port of Stockton Grain Terminal, a corporation, to execute a deed of trust and to issue a note in the principal amount of \$250,000 to finance, in part, the cost of constructing a building and improvements to be used for non-utility purposes.

Applicant is engaged in business as a public utility warehouseman at Stockton, California. In addition, it reports that it has been engaging in the non-utility business of buying, selling and dealing in fabricated steel products at wholesale, under the firm name of Pacific Steel & Supply Co. In connection with its non-utility activities, applicant states that recently, it has purchased certain land in San Leandro, on which it proposes

This is the exact name of the applicant, according to its Articles of Incorporation.

A.41690 MON to erect a building, which, together with certain improvements, will necessitate its incurring an indebtedness of \$250,000. The proposed borrowing will be represented by a \$250,000 note in favor of The Bank of California, National Association, payable in monthly installments of \$2,776 each, including interest at the rate of 6% per annum. Such note will be secured by a deed of trust on the improved real property in San Leandro. It appears that the property to be encumbered by the proposed deed of trust will not be necessary or useful in the performance of applicant's duties to the public and, therefore, pursuant to provisions of Section 851 of the Public Utilities Code, no authorization from this Commission is required for the execution of said deed of trust. On the other hand, although the note proceeds will be expended entirely for non-utility purposes, Sections 817 and 818 of the Public Utilities Code require authority from this Commission before applicant may issue the \$250,000 note, and it appears that the indebtedness will have no adverse effect on the performance of applicant's duties to the public. The Commission has considered this matter 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 by applicant for the purpose specified herein, and that such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income; therefore, - 2 -

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

Port of Stockton Grain Terminal, a corporation, on

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