

Decision No. 61765**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
 FERDINAND ERDMAN, doing business as
 ERDMAN WAREHOUSE, for a certificate
 of necessity and convenience.

Application No. 42979

John F. O'Dea, for applicant.
John F. Specht, for the Commission's staff.

O P I N I O N

Ferdinand Erdman, doing business as Erdman Warehouse, requests authority to operate a public warehouse for 30,000 square feet of space at Boyer Landing in Colusa County for the storage of rice.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Thomas E. Daly on March 2, 1961, at San Francisco.

Applicant is a rice grower. For many years he has conducted a rice drying business. Five years ago he purchased a warehouse for the purpose of storing his own rice. Since that time many of his customers have requested use of his storage facilities. Applicant testified that in some instances it was necessary for local growers to store their rice as far away as Sacramento because of the lack of sufficient storage facilities in the growing area. At the present time he has 32 storage accounts.

Applicant has two buildings one of which is approximately 60' x 350' and of wooden construction, the other approximately 60' x 250' and of concrete construction. The wooden building contains the drying facilities, the elevators and bins with a storage capacity of 28,000 bushels. The concrete building contains flat storage area of 28,500 square feet. Both buildings are connected by means of a conveyor belt.

Applicant proposes a season storage charge of \$3.16 per ton. As of November 30, 1960, applicant indicated a net worth in

the amount of \$1,812,025. There was no protest to the granting of the authority sought.

After consideration the Commission finds and concludes that public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted.

O R D E R

Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Ferdinand Erdman authorizing him to operate as a public utility warehouseman, as defined in Section 239(b) of the Public Utilities Code, in the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as more particularly set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

2. That, in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. By accepting the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, applicant is placed on notice that it will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of its operations. Failure to file such reports, in such form and at such time as the Commission may direct, may result in a cancellation of the public utility warehouse operations authorized by this decision.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall establish the

service herein authorized and file in triplicate and concurrently make effective tariffs satisfactory to the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of April, 1961.

Charles W. Page
President
Ed. J. Hatfield
Carl L. Fox
George T. Trover
Frederick B. Haloboff
Commissioners

Ferdinand Erdman, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to operate as a public utility warehouseman for the operation of storage or warehouse floor space as follows:

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Square Feet of Floor Space</u>
Rice	Boyer Landing	30,000

(The floor space shown above is exclusive of the 50,000 square feet of expansion permissible under Section 1051 of the Public Utilities Code.)

End of Appendix A

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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