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Decision No.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application

of

HOWARD TERMINAL, a corporation

for an order authorizing the borrowing of money and the mortgaging and pledging of property as security.

Application No. 43354

## OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application filed on April 27, 1961, for an order of the Commission authorizing Howard Terminal, a California corporation, to execute a deed of trust and to issue a note in the principal amount of \$329,900.

Applicant, in addition to non-public utility activities, is engaged in business as a public utility warehouseman in Oakland and Sacramento and as a highway common carrier of general commodities, with certain exceptions, in the San Francisco-East Bay Cartage Zone and between various points in north central California. In this application the company reports that it proposes to purchase two gantry cranes, two magnets, and support equipment for the loading of scrap iron and other bulk cargoes at its plant located at 95 Market Street, Oakland. It desires to borrow \$329,900 from United California

Bank to provide funds of \$130,000 to finance the cost of the improvements and of \$199,900 to pay and discharge outstanding indebtedness represented by a note issued pursuant to authorization granted by Decision No. 59162, dated October 20, 1959, as amended by Decision No. 59228, dated November 3, 1959, in Application No. 41540.

The new note will be secured by a deed of trust, by a general pledge and collection agreement, by an assignment of applicant's interests as lessee and licensee in its agreement with Port of Oakland, and by a mortgage of chattels covering its machinery, tools and equipment. It will be payable over a period of ten years with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

From a review of the verified application and applicant's financial statements, we are of the opinion that applicant's earnings and operations should be sufficient to service and to support the proposed borrowing without interfering with its public utility duties. We find and conclude that a public hearing is not necessary, that the application should be granted, that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the proposed note 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,

- 1. Howard Terminal, a corporation, on or after the effective date hereof and on or before September 30, 1961, may execute a deed of trust, a mortgage of chattels, a general pledge and collection agreement and an assignment of its interests as lessee and licensee in its agreement with the Port of Oakland, and may issue its promissory note in the principal amount of not to exceed \$329,900, payable over a period of ten years with interest at the rate of not to exceed six per cent per annum for the purposes set forth in this application.
- 2. Howard Terminal, a corporation, 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. This order shall become effective when Howard Terminal, a corporation, has paid the fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is \$130.

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