

MINUTE ITEM

8/26/65

42. APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF LEASE P.R.C. 175.1, COVERING TIDELANDS LEASED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SALTS FROM SEA WATER IN SAN DIEGO BAY, SAN DIEGO COUNTY; WESTERN SALT COMPANY - W.O. 5741.

After consideration of Supplemental Calendar Item 43 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO AMEND THE 16 LEASES ISSUED TO WESTERN SALT COMPANY, GROUPED UNDER LEASE P.R.C. 175.1 AND TOTALING 612.23 ACRES OF TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS OF SAN DIEGO BAY, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, TO PROVIDE A COMMON TERMINATION DATE OF JANUARY 31, 1984, THE AMENDMENT TO BE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 26, 1965. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASES ARE TO REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

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Lease P.R.C. 175.1 covers sixteen parcels of tidelands totaling 612.23 acres, which were leased to the Western Salt Company in two groups of parcels, for periods of fifty years, for the purpose of producing salts from sea water of San Diego Bay, San Diego County. The first group of leases, covering eight parcels totaling 308.20 acres, were issued by the Board of State Harbor Commissioners for the Bay of San Diego, commencing on various dates in January 1927, and ending on various dates in January 1977; the second group, covering eight parcels totaling 304.03 acres, were issued commencing on November 1, 1940, and would terminate on October 31, 1990.

Section 6216 of the Public Resources Code was enacted in 1941. Under this section the State Lands Commission was declared by the Legislature to be vested with full authority and jurisdiction over tide and submerged lands. Thereafter, the management of the 16 Western Salt Company leases was transferred to the State Lands Commission; the leases were subsequently grouped under the designation P.R.C. 175.1 for control.

Western Salt Company has requested that both groups of leases be amended to provide a common termination date of January 31, 1984, so that it may better plan production activities over the years to come.

Tide and submerged lands in southern San Diego Bay, including the subject lease parcels, are to be conveyed in trust to the San Diego Unified Port District, effective September 17, 1965, pursuant to A.B. 3188 as enacted by the Legislature during the regular 1965 Session.

The Port Director of the Port of San Diego has informed the State Lands Division that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District concurs with Western Salt Company's requested modification of the leases. The proposed amendment will provide the Port's management an opportunity to consolidate and coordinate plans to develop the leased areas by establishing a common termination date.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO AMEND THE 16 LEASES ISSUED TO WESTERN SALT COMPANY, GROUPED UNDER LEASE P.R.C. 175.1 AND TOTALING 612.23 ACRES OF TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS OF SAN DIEGO BAY, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, TO PROVIDE A COMMON TERMINATION DATE OF JANUARY 31, 1984, THE AMENDMENT TO BE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 26, 1965. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASES ARE TO REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.