

A special meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 306, State Capitol, Sacramento, October 27, 1948, at five o'clock P.M.

Present: Honorable James S. Dean, Chairman  
Honorable Thomas H. Kuchel, Member

Absent: Honorable Goodwin J. Knight, Member

1. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the reading and approval of the minutes of October 14, 1948, was deferred until the next meeting.

2. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, it was decided to defer setting of a date for the next Commission meeting.

3. (Resignation of Executive Officer - R. C. Hunter) Colonel Robert C. Hunter, Executive Officer of the State Lands Commission, informed the Board that because of his health it would be necessary to present his resignation to the Commission, effective November 15, 1948.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, it was voted the resignation of Colonel Hunter should be accepted with extreme regret.

4. (Appointment Rufus W. Putnam, Executive Officer).

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and with the understanding the third member of the Commission, Lieutenant Governor Knight, had expressed complete agreement with the action, it was unanimously carried that Colonel Rufus W. Putnam, Los Angeles, be appointed, effective November 16, 1948, to the position of Executive Officer, at a salary of \$676.00 a month.

5. (Marine Exploration Company - P.R.C. 186) On recommendation of the staff and as a result of further discussion with respect to the resolution of October 14, 1948 (Item 14, Page 903 of minutes) and upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, a resolution was unanimously adopted revising Item 14 of the minutes of October 14, 1948 as follows:

WHEREAS, Marine Exploration Company in accordance with the requirements of Lease P.R.C. No. 186 have drilled the wells required to date thereunder and are now drilling a well into the leased lands more than 12,000 feet in length, and that from the drilling of said wells geological information has been obtained which indicates that the best interest of the State of California would be served by the drilling of a future well, or wells, from filled lands to be located in the tidelands approximately one and one-half miles, more or less, distant from the shore and at a site to be approved by the War Department (U.S. Army Engineers) pursuant to the application of Marine Exploration Company which is now pending in the War Department,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Commission hereby approves the location, plans and general specifications for the filled lands as set forth in the application to the War Department by Marine Exploration Company and recommends that future wells on State Lease No. P.R.C. 186 be drilled from such filled lands.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.