

investment involved.

Before work can proceed on offshore construction work, the applicant must obtain a permit from the Department of the Army; such permit has been applied for, but approval has been withheld to date by action of another Federal Department involved in the litigation. The staff of this Division are in agreement that in all equity such an extension of term of the lease should be made and that interests of the State would be served by so doing.

Messrs. A. T. Jergins and Ray Waestman appeared before the Commission in connection with the matter.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to amend the term of Lease P.R.C. 186 to Marine Exploration Company so that it shall continue for a period of twenty years from and after the date thereof and so long thereafter as oil, gas, or other hydrocarbon substances are produced in paying quantities from the leased lands.

47. (Lease Application - W.O. 301, T. D. Harney, San Francisco) An application was presented by Mr. T. D. Harney requesting that the action taken by the Commission on March 21, 1949, (Minute Item 15, Page 945) to the effect that approval of the project be given by the governing body of the City and County of San Francisco, before the Commission took further action, be amended so as to require only a letter of endorsement signed by the Mayor of the City of San Francisco.

After considerable discussion and no motion having been presented on the matter, the Chairman advised Mr. Harney that the action taken by the Commission on March 21, 1949, would still stand.

48. (Investigation of Policies on Procedural Matters) The Executive Officer reported that it had been his observation that matters of minute detail were being presented to the Commission for action which might be delegated to the Executive Officer, thus relieving the records of considerable matter and minimizing the amount of material to be presented to the Commission for action.

On motion duly made and unanimously carried, the Executive Officer was instructed to continue the investigation and report back to the Commission at some future date his recommendation in the premises.

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