

43. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL PENDING BEFORE THE COMMISSION AS TO THE MATTER OF PURCHASES OF STEEL TUBULAR PRODUCTS FOR TIDELAND DEVELOPMENT AT LONG BEACH - W.O. 5200.309.2, W.O. 5200.101.

Immediately following its regular calendar of business, the Commission held a public hearing on the proposal pending before it as to the matter of purchase of steel tubular products for tideland development at Long Beach. The question was whether bidding should be restricted to domestic companies, as proposed by the THUMS Long Beach Company and the City of Long Beach, or whether bidding should be on an unrestricted basis.

The following appeared in favor of the THUMS proposal:

John Isaacs, Partner
Hillman-Kelley, Los Angeles

Charles W. Huse, Vice President - West
United States Steel Corporation, Los Angeles

Albert P. Heiner, Vice President
Kaiser Steel Corporation, Oakland

John J. Sheehan, Legislative Representative
United Steel Workers of America, Washington, D.C.

A. W. Rose, Director
Byron Jackson Division of Borg Warner Corporation
appearing for American Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association

Claude Minard, General Counsel
California Railroad Association, San Francisco

G. C. Merkley
National Supply Division of Armo Steel Company, Long Beach

Fred B. Keenan, President
Keenan Pipe & Supply Co., Los Angeles

John C. Smith, Assistant to General Manager of Pacific Coast Sales
Bethlehem Steel Corporation, San Francisco

R. C. Rieder, President
Continental Emsco Corporation, Los Angeles

J. D. Gilliland
Republic Steel Corporation, Los Angeles

William F. Ewart
Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Harold E. Howard, President
Howard Supply Company, Los Angeles

Appearing in favor of the THUMS proposal - contd.

R. C. Walters, Pacific Area Manager
Mid-Continent Supply Company, Los Angeles

Bert Trask
California Trucking Association

The following appeared in opposition to the THUMS proposal:

Themistocles G. Michos, on behalf of
California Council for International Trade, San Francisco

Robert Kleist, Sales Manager
Pacific Far East Lines, Los Angeles

Norbert B. Moffatt, Chairman
World Trade Center Authority, Los Angeles

A. S. Hayes
Union Pipe, Inc., Los Angeles

R. J. Kilpatrick, Attorney-at-Law, on behalf of
Pipe Sales Company

Al Parrish, Chairman
West Coast Metal Importers Association

Edward N. Glad, Attorney-at-Law, on behalf of
Foreign Trade Association of California

Following these appearances, the rebuttal on behalf of those in favor of the THUMS proposal was made by:

T. G. Knight, Jr., Executive Vice President
California Manufacturers Association, San Francisco

The rebuttal on behalf of those in opposition to the THUMS proposal was made by:

Nelson A. Stitt, Director
United States-Japan Trade Council, Washington, D.C.

The Chairman requested that the record show that all reports submitted at this hearing would be given full consideration.

A request was made by Commissioner Cranston that a statement be obtained by the staff from the Port of Long Beach, commenting on the various statements presented, as to benefits or disadvantages.

A time limit of ten calendar days was set for those wanting to submit additional written statements, after which the record will be closed.

The Executive Officer stated that the staff analysis and compilation of all material submitted, both at the hearing and subsequent thereto, would be ready for submission to the Commission within fifteen calendar days.

The staff was directed to include in its analysis the comments of the U. S. Department of Commerce received by the office of the Chairman of the Commission.

Action by the Commission on the proposals submitted was tentatively scheduled for its meeting to be held in Sacramento on September 23, 1965.

For a complete verbatim report on the hearing, see the Reporter's Transcript, copy of which is on file as a permanent record in the Los Angeles Office of the State Lands Commission and is hereby made a part of these minutes by reference.