

27. (APPLICATION TO PURCHASE MINERAL RESERVATION, A. AND V. M. SCUDDER - W.O. 1933, GEO.-LOS ANGELES COUNTY.) The Commission's staff reported as follows:

"An application has been made by A. and V. M. Scudder, as successors in interest to the former estate of Charles H. Watts, for the purchase of the mineral reservation retained by the State of California in the sale by the Controller of Lot 25, Tract 2933 (known as 2302 - 246th Street, Lomita), as per map recorded in Book 32, page 25 of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County. The mineral reservation is contained in a deed from the State dated September 26, 1946, granting title to M. B. and E. A. Garton, and J. F. and E. M. Swatman. All rights under this grant deed have been succeeded to by A. and V. M. Scudder.

"The application for purchase is made under Chapter 1212 of the Statutes of 1942 (Section 4106, Public Resources Code) and the procedure for disposition of reserved mineral rights and escheated lands as established by the Commission. The subject land consists of one residential subdivision lot in the Lomita District of Los Angeles County, and has been inspected by the staff. All adjoining lots for a minimum of one block in all directions are occupied by residence buildings exclusively. There are no surface indications of mineral value in the tract. The property lies 3,400 feet southerly from the nearest producing oil well on the south flank of the Torrance Oil Field and approximately 10,000 feet northerly of current exploratory drilling. The production adjoining to the north in the Torrance Oil Field is reported by the Division of Oil and Gas currently as marginal and the area of the subject property is considered potentially unproductive of oil and gas. No other mineral extraction operations could be conducted on the property without a special use permit in variance of the Los Angeles County restrictions and zoning ordinances. Therefore, it is the opinion of the staff that the land may be classified as not being known currently to contain any commercially valuable deposits of minerals. The application filing fee in the amount of \$5 has been paid by the applicants."

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A GRANT DEED TO A. AND V. M. SCUDDER FOR THE MINERAL RESERVATION MADE BY THE STATE CONTROLLER SEPTEMBER 26, 1946 IN THE CONVEYANCE OF LOT 25, TRACT 2933 (KNOWN AS 2302 - 246TH STREET, LOMITA) AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 32, PAGE 25 OF MAPS, RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE GRANT DEED IS TO BE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE DISPOSITION OF RESERVED MINERAL RIGHTS IN ESCHATED LANDS NOT KNOWN TO CONTAIN COMMERCIALY VALUABLE DEPOSITS OF MINERALS, AT THE ESTABLISHED FEE OF \$10.