.A. PalkCa: Are there any other representatives of the industry who would like to discuss the subject that Ar. Eirlwood raised before we come back to the body of the lease form itself?

MR. SHAFER: Mr. Chairman -- Shafor of the Texas I think this would be a good time to back away a little from these specific problems and look at the over-all. As Mr. Lower said, some of these things we don't like are not too bad...By this I mean so bad that they would cause us to back away from this problem. But you've got one paragraph that is almost unacceptable, and another one almost unacceptable and on top of that you add something here that is contrary to our operating habits and practices for many, many years -- and one of us is required to bid on these lands. So I suggest that consideration be given to the over-all picture as the oil companies have to look at it and see whether by adding these little things here and there that you are not overloading this thing to the point where it becomes unattractive as a whole.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Hanna.

ASSEMBLYMAN HANNA: Is it my I would like to make a statement. It appears to me if it is a fact that the practice under similar situations in other oil areas of the United States requires the public dissemination of this information we are talking about, that there should

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IM. PEIRCE: Any further discussion?

that all of this is not compulsory -- most of it is voluntary. In other words, not all of the records are submitted to the State and released by the State authorities. For example, electric logs are exchanged and in the old days, twenty years ago, it used to be they would trade. In order to make it convenient, they turned them over to a blueprint company and they print them. In other words, if a man drills a well he may hold that information a few months.

MR. HOME: I would like to point out again that it would be totally inconsistent with the regulations relative to core drilling and other types of information such as

anyone may to on to the leased premises and obtain pursuant to permit core information, seismic information, that which is to be treated as such under the statute. Why should it be a different rule with respect to wells drilled by the lessee on ... lands? This information is available to a person if they go on to the premises. I see no justification and certainly a horrible conflict if the lessee is forced to submit all his information and third persons are permitted to go on and obtain information of the same or similar type.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Horlig, what is your comment at this stage of the discussion?

ER. HORTIG: Well, with respect to the particular section under consideration at this time relative to the availability of data, I have already reviewed in general the criteria or the factors which the State Lands Division thought were relevant thereto, all except one; and that is, that in the resolution of the conflict, as Er. Home mentioned, if data were required to be disseminated and a particular lessee felt he had not achieved by his investment a competitive advantage, I believe it must necessarily follow — although it cannot be demonstrated precisely — on a lease offer on that basis, a lessee making a critical evaluation would include some insurance for the condition that he no longer had a competitive advantage; and this

insurance would be in a lower bid to the State for such a lease.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Kirkwood, you raised this question of disclosure of information. What is your position at this point with respect to its applicability to the lease form?

MR. KIRKWCOD: Let's take a look at whatever else we are putting in the lease. I certainly realize this is one of a series of things that balance each other. I certainly wouldn't want to go beyond the conclusions here, all certainly which would indicate that if the law of regular application were subsequently adopted, making public similar material, this would be covered or subsequently developed information would be covered by that law. That would be as far as I would want to go. Let's see where we end up. I judge we have one blank in the lease on the size of the parcels ...

MR. HORTIG: If I may suggest, this would follow in the next calendar item which would go to proposed specific application of this lease form as adopted, as a basis for proceeding. Both size of parcels and rental provisions will be discussed in the next calendar item.

MR. KIRKWOOD: You are not talking in terms of this exhibit, whatever it is?

MR. HORTIG: Yes, it would be ...

MR. KIRKWOOD: That does give the rental formula?

MR. HORTIG: No. The rental is a blank on page 3 of the lease.

MR. KIRKWOOD: I would certainly reserve at this point, John I would say let's take a look at the other things; and I am not making any suggestion or proposing any amendment of the lease until I have a chance to look at the other things and have a chance of discussion with the consultants and so forth as to what they are recommending here.

MR. PEIRCE: Are there other representatives who wish to be heard with respect to the proposed lease form?

If so, we would be delighted to hear from you now.

MR. WATSON: Mr. Chairman, for the record my name is Glenn R. Watson. I am appearing today as attorney for Edwin H. Pauley and Associates and Phillips Petroleum Company. We have two points bearing on the proposed lease which we feel should be considered by the Commission.

Mr. Hortig just referred to the annual rental figure as still blank. We note that \$1.00 per acre has been recommended by the staff but has not yet been inserted in the lease. We would simply say we support the staff's recommendation of \$1.00 in that respect.

With reference to the size of the parcels, we feel it is entitled to great consideration, at least while the terms of the lease are under consideration; and if it is agreeable, I would like to discuss the feeling of these

1 two companies with respect to size of the parcels. 2 is important to the Commission .. and, well, Edwin Pauley 3 and Phillips Petroleum Company are of the opinion that 4 fixing the size of these wildcat parcels at 5,760 acres 5 would be in the best interests of the State of California 6 Certainly, parcels of that size would be more attractive 7 to industry and, therefore, should result in high amount 8 of cash bonus bid. We believe that not only would the 9 total bonus per parcel be greater but that the industry 1.0 would bid more cash bonus per acre on the larger size. 11 The amount of bonus is affected by the probable revenue 12 of the lessee if the parcel is obtained. The size of the 13 parcel will influence the size of expenditure on platforms 14 and other operational requirements. Such expenditures 15 would be greater for a small parcel than for a larger 16 parcel -- which, of course, would result in a smaller net 17 profit on the smaller parcels. The larger parcels should 18 produce the greater dollar return per dollar spent per 19 acre, thus making more dollars available for the payment 20 of a higher cash bonus to the State.

Therefore, we are of the opinion that fixing the size of the original parcels at 5,760 acres is sounder from a business and economic viewpoint, will have the effect of increasing the bonus to the State of Jalifornia and will decrease the number of platforms and installations and thus be beneficial to Santa Barbara and onshore interests.

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Further, the Legislature has expressed parcels of 5,760 acres in size by the Cunningham Shell act in 1955 and reenacted this in 1957. The Legislature apparently contemplated that parcels not 5,760 acres in size would be appropriate in proper cases. This offer, we feel, is the logical place of following the legislative intent by fixing the size of the parcels at 5,760 acres.

The second point which we wish to bring before you, which we are most concerned with and which concerns the Commission, concerns the royalty formula. The staff has recommended a bonus bid and sliding royalty, but there has been publicly little discussion regarding the suitable royalty formula. We believe that the royalty formula proposed in Exhibit B for consideration is not proper for these wildcat lands. In fact, this formula is comparable to the ones on the majority of the State lands in the Santa Barbara lands and Ventura, on which leases have been made on proven lands, except in one case in cash bonus.

We would like to submit a formula which, in our opinion is more suitable to wildcat lands. This formula lies somewhere between the extremes that have been advocated, one suggesting a flat 16-2/3 and the other a sliding scale up to 50%, which appears on Exhibit B for consideration.

For the purpose of clarity, I would like to hand the Commission a sheet showing our proposed formula and its

offect on proposed production. There is one for about everyone to have one and in about five seconds I can put in on
the board so the other contlemen can see it.

Now, you will note that under this formula 16-2/35 royalty remains effective until a production of 196 barrels per well per day has been reached. The royalty then increases on a sliding scale up to the maximum to be fixed by the Commission. We recommend a maximum of 25% on this offshore wildcat acreage. In our opinion, this formula would make the lease more attractive, would increase the competition, and would result in a higher cash bonus payment to the State. This sliding scale royalty that we are proposing in our formula is higher than the royalties demanded by Louisiana, Texas, the Federal government in the Gulf of Mexico, and other jurisdictions, with which the oil industry must compete. We feel it is important for California to be in competitive position with other jurisdictions. This formula we propose is a fair one. The company will spend millions of dollars for cash bonus, platforms, exploration and testing. At least, the cash bonus, exploration and drilling costs will be a total loss if drilling is unsuccessful. Every bidder must consider these factors in the event production is not obtained. in determining the cash bonus. The potential reward must take care of those losses. The less the potential reward, the less the cash bonus to the State.

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In our opinion, this should have the careful consideration of the Commission. We trust our recommendations on the size of the parcels and a suitable formula will be considered before final action is taken.

MR. FEIRCE: May I ask, Mr. Watson, did you or someone representing the companies you are representing today present your thinking on this subject to the committee of the Western Oil and Gas Association?

MR. WATSON: I don't believe the committee has met since the royalty formula was first proposed by the Lands Commission and came out with a tentative draft in March. To answer you directly, sir, I don't believe it has been discussed with the Commission.

MR. PEIRCE: Were your companies represented at the discussion at which members of our staff met with members of the industry here in Sacramento on February 26 and 27, I believe, with the consultants present, discussing various ramifications of this problem?

MR. WATSON: The two companies were represented at the hearing and according to the writer, there was no discussion concerning the particular formula. All of the discussions were directed toward cash basis, and so on. This has not received public discussion.

IR. PETROE: In other words, your presentation today is the first time that this particular proposal has been presented to our staff or to our consultants?

fin. WATSON: No, I wouldn't say that. It's the first public discussion. The formula has been presented to Frank, but this is the first opportunity, actually this is the first time the formula has been publicly discussed to our knowledge.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Hortig, have you any comments to make with regard to this matter?

FIR. HORTIG: Yes, sir. As Lr. Watson reported, representatives of Phillips Petroleum did discuss with me this proposed royalty formula sometime back. This was one of a multitude of formulas and proposals which have been evaluated against the tests of the Commission's experience, the recommendations of the special board of the consultants to the C. mission; and inasmuch as -- I point out, I probably shouldn't admit this -- I am one of the parents or the parent of this particular form back in 1938, I felt I had particular familiarity with this formula.

The basic problem, making this short, is that the staff has recommended to the Commission, after consideration of all aspects, from all aspects, the particular formula which is in the lease form before you today. All other variations are desirable, and supportably desirable, depending upon the particular end desired to be achieved by the specific proponent. You have here today, on one had, Mr. Lower unqualifiedly stated the royalty formula proposed by the staff is too high; Mr. Watson in behalf

of his clients has another one lower, and, therefore, the recommended formula is too high; Senator Allen stated unqualifiedly the royalty formula is too low.

You have, out of the total considerations and the representations made by everyone, the staff's considered recommendation and the considered recommendation of your special board of consultants; and even in the light of the support for the particular formula which Mr. Watson has advanced, that nevertheless the royalty formula that should be adopted by the Commission is that set forth in the lease form before you.

I might add, additionally, for those proponents of the situation who feel that potential high cash bonus bids are restrictive and undesirable in connection with a State lease, that adoption of the royalty formula proposed to the Commission would be more desirable in the royalty form here proposed, in that I think it is recognized as axiomatic that with the high royalty formula, the cash bonus bids would be lower.

on Mr. Watson's statement?

DR. KAVELER: Mr. Chairman, I don't believe I could add anything over what Mr. Hortig has said. There is no basis for determining what a royalty should be. It is a matter of business judgment. As you have discussed extensively from time to time in this hearing, Mr. Hortig

calls attention to the fact that the lease in a thing in sum total. If the royalty is higher, the bonus will be lower. I think Mr. Wanemacher joins me. Both as to the size of the lease and the royalty to be applied, they have unto themselves a policy problem. The diverse opinion what exists in this State, I think, would drive the Commission to a compromise position. I think you should derive a great deal of satisfaction out of the fact that if both sides are dissatisfied with the result that equity has probably been done. It would be fatal, in my opinion, that either side walked out of here satisfied. Then, I think, equity would not be done.

One has to weigh his words in this ticklish situation . . . but I am persuaded . . . the statement I made to Mr. Allon, the statement I made in respect to the statutes on minerals in the State of California has undergone transition. At the last meeting we had, it was all understood that what we decided today is not fixed -- it is in an evolutionary process. I think what the staff has recommended today is as good a middle-of-the-road lease that you could have. I would recommend that the staff's recommendations on lease size and other things be approved.

- MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Wanenmacher?
- HR. WANENMACHER: I concur.
- for nearly two hours. I would observe that this matter

has been studied for many many wester. We have tried so bring into our considerations of a very difficult problem every possible viewpoint and, as Dr. Maveler has observed, perhaps it is too much to expect that everyone shall be entirely satisfied either from the State's viewpoint or the industry's viewpoint. We have a law under which we are operating and we have endeavored to interpret that law, with the advice of the Attorney Coneral and our consultants, in a manner that will protect the interests of the State and yet to give recognition to proper inducements which will cause the industry to emplore for and find oil such as may exist under the tidelands of this State. Now, IIr. Kirkwood and Governor Powers, I believe we have, at least, exhausted in a preliminary fashion the testimony that is offered by those present. What is your pleasure with regard to the staff's recommen+ dation that we approve the lease form as amended?

John? Mr. Watson, I would be curious on one thing. You are Schator Richards' partner?

MR. WATSOF: I am.

FR. KIRKWOOD: Have you had opportunity to discuss with him the point he raised with reference to possible operation of AB 5?

MR. WATSON: I have not read AB 5 and I have inquired of him what effect it would have; but I am not otherwise

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HK. MIRENOUD: Do you feel, after the discussion you heard this morning, that it is proper for us to go ahead with this lease, with the provision of 10 of the exhibit; that we are not getting into a problem there? Is that anything you can express a view on?

MR. WATSON: Eo, it is not. Phillips Petroleum and Pauley have no position on that. The only ones we wish to comment on are the ones within our presentation.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Shavelson.

MR. SHAVELSON: I'd like to point out that Section 5 reserves to the State the right to exercise a power. In other words, it's not something that is automatically operative.

MR. KIRKWOOD: You mean AB 5?

IAR. SHAVELSON: Excuse me, I meant Section 10 of Exhibit A; and for that reason it is not, it does not have a head-on sort of conflict with the statute. I have a statement, a one-sentence proviso, which really says no more than would be implied anyway, but it might be a good idea just to clarify this matter saying "The rights reserved and retained by the State under this Section 10 shall be exercisable the extent and only to the extent that such exercise is permitted by law at the time of such exercise." I think that would certainly eliminate -- if by minute study of AB 5 there should be some question, we should

conclude there is . legal conflict between this retained power in Section 10 -- then I believe this would make it clear that we are not trying to do anything inconsistent with the law and, of course, that would be the thing anyway. We don't like to have any provision of doubtful validity -- even though it is undoubtedly severable, it doesn't affect the validity of the lease.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Hutchins.

represent Edwin Pauley. I am not trying to cut the ground down under a lawyer. It is true that Phillips and Pauley have not had a discussion about this, but I discussed it with Pauley last night and he is very apprehensive that down the road there is probably going to be a head-on collusion ... (laughter) ... my apologies, collision. (I am glad you are listening to me anyway.) I have discussed this with the Senator himself; I have read the act. I am not a lawyer but it seems to me you have got two sets of rules to go by. Looking at this -- it doesn't have to take a month, a year, but I think more detail should be gone into than Mr. Shavelson remarks. I feel like Mr. Lower. I believe we ought to take a good look at this thing.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Did Mr. Lower make that statement?

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Kirkwood has asked, did you make that statement that was referred to by Mr. Hutchins -- that

is, that we delay action on the approval?

MR. LOWER: I didn't ask that the Commission delay action. What I said was that I thought there was a conflict in AB 5 and Section 10 as previously written.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Wouldn't this insertion of Mr. Shavelson take care of any possible conflict?

MR. LOWER: I think it would, yes. If it makes
Section 10 subject to the effect of AB 5 and the rights
of the Commission to act thereunder subject to any legislative enactment which might be contrary to its provisions,
I think it would.

GOVERNOR POWERS: That is the part I would be interested in. We certainly don't want to pass a rule in conflict of the law.

MR. KIRKWOOD: I can't see there is any conflict.

I think this would take care of it.

MR. HORTIG: If I may, Mr. Chairman, I should like to add something that isn't generally advised. AB 5 or not, and assume AB 5 is a panacea for Long Beach, which it is designed to be, Section 10 of the lease form is still going to be desirable for the control of operations on any State lands, particularly from the standpoint that there cannot be extensive damage resulting from operation of a State lease, which extensive damage could otherwise still result under the criteria of AB 5 long before AB 5 can be triggered into action.

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MR. KIRKWOOD: Might I ask, Frank, what is our
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           MR. KIRKWOOD: Is it calendered?
           MR. HORTIG: Yes, it follows immediately behind.
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           MR. KIRKWO'L. I think that gives us the whole
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           MR. PEIRCE: I think we ought to take them together.
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    Mr. Watson links them together.
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           MR. KIRKWOOD: Are we suggesting five parcels be
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           MR. HORTIG: Yes sir.
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           MR. KIRKWOOD: And each one is 3,840 acres?
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           MR. HORTIG: Yes sir.
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           MR. KIRKWOOD: 1.00 per acre per year?
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           MR. HORTIG: Yes sir.
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            MR. KIRKWOOD: And the royalty also.
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            MR. HORTIG: Here is a map with the geographical
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     locations. (Short discussion off-the-record, looking at
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MR. PEIRCE: All right. The meeting will then come to order. Before we conclude on Agenda Item No. 1, Mr. Hortig, will you now past to Item No. 2, which involves five proposed lease offerings?

MR. HORTIG: Yes, Mr. Chairman. On September 13. 1957, the Commission initiated consideration of offering oil and gas leases pursuant to Division 6, Public Resources Code, in an area of approximately 54,000 acres of tide and submerged lands extending from westerly of the Elwood area to Point Conception, Santa Barbara County. The County of Santa Barbara was notified pursuant to Section 6873.2 Public Resources Code of the pending consideration of lease offers. The county did not request a public hearing. Time required for filing such request expired November 15 1.957. Recommendations as to royalty rates, lease sizes and lease locations were presented to the Commission by a special board of consultants on February 3, 1958. The following staff recommendations are within the scope of the consultants' recommendations:

It is recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Officer to offer parcels of tide and submerged land in Santa Barbara County for oil and gas lease pursuant to Division 6 of the Public Resources Code. The lease award is to be made to the qualified bidder offering the highest cash bonus payment in consideration of the issuance of an oil and gas lease. The bid lease to be offered for

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fore they are in the areas listed by the consultants as

wildcat and exploratory.

There follows three parcels of 3,840 acres each, the parcels being approximately two miles along shore three miles into the sea. The specific map coordinates, so these parcels can be precisely located on the earth, are listed. The three parcels under discussion all lie easterly of Gaviota and extend to approximately 12 miles west of the westernmost lease of the existing Elwood Oil Field. The landward and northerly boundary of each parcel is the ordinary high water mark of the Pacific Ocean. The seaward or southerly boundary would be parallel to the ordinary high water mark and seaward three miles.

The lease rental is to be set at \$1.00 per acre per year.

As provided in the lease form, no permanent filled lands, platforms or other fixed or floating structures for well sites or other operations for operating oil and gas development from the area leased shall be constructed, used or operated at any location less than one mile seaward of the ordinary high water mark of the Pacific Ocean.

The bid lease form to be offered for the next following described parcels shall be the same form, of course

omitting any limitations as to location, pla ement or use of pier structures or filled lands by deleting the appropriate restrictive language from the lease form — which provides for the restriction of these operations in the lease form — for these two parcels westerly of Gaviota and easterly of Pt. Conception. Parcel description follows. There are two parcels, 3,840 acres each. Again, the northerly boundary is to the ordinary nigh water mark and the seaward boundary or southerly boundary to be parallel to the ordinary high water mark seaward three miles; with the ordinary rental \$1.00 per acre per year.

For the record, if I may, Mr. Chairman, at this point note that in the lease form which has been discussed this morning — on page 19 we should like to have the record reflect that page 19, line 5, should read "at least" rather than "lease" — with a "t"; and page 19, line 10, should read "at least."

MR. PEIRCE: We have before us the recommendation of the staff that the Executive Officer be authorized to offer for lease five parcels of tide and submerged lands in Santa Barbara County. Are there any questions on the part of the members of the Commission?

MR. KIRKWOOD: Well, to get the matter formally before us, I move the recommendation of the staff.

GOVERNOR POWERS: I'll second.

FIR. PEIRCE: Does that apply to both recommendations?

MR. KIRKWOOD: Well, yes, I think if we adopt this we are accepting the form.

MR. HORTIG: For this particular lease only.

MR. KIRKWOOD: But I want to ask the consultants before I vote on that.

MR. PETRCE: If I understand correctly, Mr.

Kirkwood has moved that the State Lands Commission approve
the two recommendations of the staff -- first, with respect
to the lease form as amended; and, secondly, with respect
to offering of these five parcels of tide and submerged
lands. Those are the two recommendations before us, is
that not right, Mr. Hortig?

MR. HORTIG: That is correct. At this point, may I ask that the record show that the lease form as amended, referred to, includes on page 21, line 24, after the word "lands" the addition of the phrase "or other snoreline properties" as was suggested by Mr. Kirkwood.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Shavelson:

MR. SHAVELSON: I was just wondering also if wo want to include that little phrase at the end of Section 10 that I suggested.

MR. PEIRCE: Will you read it aloud, please?

MRS. STAHL: The rights reserved and retained by the State under this Section 10 shall be exercisable to the extent and only to the extent that such exercise is permitted by law at the time of such exercise.

1 MR. SHAVELSON: That would follow the words 2 "Section 10" on line 33, page 22. 3 MR. KIRKWOOD: Won't the same -- shouldn't the 4 same addition that's made on page 21 be made on page 22, 5 line 9? 6 MR. SHAVELSON: That's right. 7 MR. HORTIG: Exactly. 8 MR. KIRKWOOD: All of the amendments we are adopt-9 ing are in this one section? 10 MR. HORTIG: Yes. Page 22, line 9 -- actually it 11 should go in line 8. Mr. Kirkwood after "residential 12 areas" -- ... "or other shoreling properties." 13 MR. KIRKWOOD: That one, we want to be sure is the 14 exact language. I am a little bothered in the reading of 15 that. 16 MR. LEOVY: I wonder if we could read the language 17 of that change a little louder? 18 MR. PEIRCE: Can you read that, Mr. Hortig? 19 MR. HORTIG: Which one? 20 MR. LECVY: The one at Section 10. 21 MR. HORTIG: The rights reserved and retained by 22 the State under this Section 10 shall be exercisable to the 23 extent and only to the extent that such exercise is permitted 24 by law at the time of such exercise. 25 MR. LEOVY: I was wondering if it would be better 26 to say "shall be exercised by the State Lands Commission

only to the extent ..." In other words, the State is still going to do it.

ASSEMBLYMAN HANNA: It's in the lease, it would have the same in other words, the conflict here is going to be by the State -- the D.O.G. or State Lands Commission.

MR. PEIRCE: Are we all of the same mind with respect to the text of these changes in the lease form?

MR. KIRKWOOD: Now, I might ask then, John, of the consultants whether you are in a position to recommend this and having particularly in mind the discussion on Section 18, whether you feel with these other provisions and with the balance we have, that you are prepared to recommend this as appropriate.

DR. KAVELER: Yes, Mr. Chairman. In response to Mr. Kirkwood's question, yes, I would recommend the lease adoption as now written.

MR. PEIRCE: Mr. Wanermacher?

MR. WANTENHACHER: Our firm will also recommend the lease as changed and amended.

MR. PEIRCE: The motion has been made
GOVERNOR POWERS: I seconded it, yes.

AR. PEIRCE ... and it has been seconded. Is there any further discussion on the part of the members of the Commission? (No response) Has anyone else anything to say before we take action with respect to these two

of the Public Resources Code was amended, providing more flexible operating and developing conditions for leases thereafter, and with the option in the Commission to include any such conditions in any pre-existing lease by amendment. Such amendment may be included in pre-existing leases also in the opinion of the Attorney General.

Application has been received from Standard, as operator, requesting approval of the amendments to provide for the additional operating conditions and it is recommended that the Commission approve such modification.

This is identical with the modifications approved by the Commission heretofore in upwards of twelve existing leases.

MR. PEIRCE: Any questions? (No response).

MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: Page 24, gentlemen. The staff is happy to report that with respect to the calendar item on page 24 this represents a consolidated report of the closing of certain projects which have been completed pursuant to prior authorization by the Commission for expenditure of subsidence funds. The determination of the allowable subsidence deductions in the light of the operations that have been conducted has been completed in accordance with the requirements that there be an engineering review and final audit at the time the items are completed. The results of the final engineering review and audit are tabulated on page 26 and represent only four

projects, show for four projects in the final column] "Credit Due State" the amount of funds heretofore withheld 2 by the City of Long Beach on an estimated subsidence basis, 3 which have now become due to the State, in view of the 4. fact that allowable deductions are found to be less than 5 those paid the City of Long Beach. So, for the projects 6 as listed, the amounts due the State are indicated in the 7 right hand column and it is recommended that the Commission 8 determine that the subsidence costs in these respective 9 fund designations be authorized on the basis of this 10 determination, and that the Executive Officer be authorized 11 12 to execute appropriate written instruments requiring that 13 appropriate adjustments on the accounts considered herein 14 be made to the State of California as necessary and indi-15 cated on Exhibit A on page 26. 16 MR. PEIRCE: Does this meet with the approval of 17 the City of Long Beach? 18 MR. SPENCE: Meets the approval of the City of 19 Long Beach. 20 MR. KIRKWOOD: How does this happen? Are these 21 all under the original estimates? 22 MR. HORTIG: This will be the situation in the 23 majority of instances. 24 MR. KIRKWOOD: We are not closed from our original 25 finding from adjusting upward?

MR. HORTIG: No sir, we are not. As we have gone

along, you contlemen have approved additional amounts and ultimately it could well be that. As the tabulation was originally set up, it reflected "Credit due State or Long Beach" and it can go either way, but in this particular instance, since the credits are due the State only, the column was omitted for clarity.

MR. KIREWOOD: We don't have any further documentation on this except this?

MR. HORTIG: Solely the working papers.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Those are in the hands of the staff?

Lands Division. Copies are in the files of the Long Beach Harbor Department, and the results here are also the final determination after rather extensive reviews and agreement and determination with the Long Beach Harbor Department staff. In other words, these are not unilateral determinations.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Jay, in your opinion is this sufficient documentation to act on without in effect delegating someone to go into it? Should we have some sort of outline from the staff as to their procedure? This is the first one we have done?

MR. HORTIG: Yes.

MR. SHAVELSON: The Commission has, of course, given its prior approval to these expenses subject to subsequent engineering and accounting review. I don't

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know what would be intermediate between this general summary and actually going into the tabulation of the working papers. I don't think that

MR. KIRKWOOD: You think this is sufficient as a basis for us to determine that this is the proper division?

MR. SHAVELSON: In this instance, where it doesn't go above your original estimate, I feel pretty comfortable with it. As far as the future, if the costs do exceed it, it's quite possible we ought to formulate a procedure under which, when the City sees that it is going to exceed the estimated cost, that the Commission is informed so that it may, if possible, act before the excess funds are spent.

MR. HORTIG: That has been our

MR. SHAVELSON: That has been. I think you have given your prior approval of the expenditure of up to this amount at least and under these circumstances I think it is satisfactory.

MR. HORTIG: I may have complicated this unduly, if I may suggest -- I did not read the full calendar, but the calendar item itself outlines the steps that were taken and including the final review with the Harbor Department. This. I believe, was something in the nature of something intermediate, as Jay has suggested.

MR. KIRKWOOD: None of these are particularly controversial areas -- they are not ones where we would get into serious problems?

Harbor Commission, so we have no difficulty as to location. They were definitely in an area that has and is continuing to subside and the funds were clearly spent for the purpose of subsidence remedial work. Hany discussions were necessary to clear up how you subsidize a portion of a project, and, as a matter of fact, the reason these are all credits due the State was the fact that there had been considerable difference of opinion in the City's estimate as to what were subsidence items and our determination arrived at subsequently.

MR. KIRKWOOD: M-m-mhm.

MR. PEIRCE: Any further questions?

MR. KIRKWOOD: No.

MR. PEIRCE: The recommendation is approved.

month-to-month program, or the program analogous to and necessary in conjunction with those programs approved heretofore by the Commission on a month-to-month basis because the total program data are not yet sufficiently developed in order to permit the particular segment to be included on a fiscal year basis; and in this instance additional subsidence studies are deemed to be critically necessary in connection with evaluation of subsidence work planned for the future; and while there has been prior approval of this type of project in principle and for a

1 limited time and funds, it has developed that additional 2 costs will have to be incurred by the Harbor Department 3 for the sub-project "Consultants and Contingencies" which 4 is outlined at an estimated total of 10,000 on page 28; 5 and it is recommended that the Commission approve such 6 costs to be expended by the City of Long Beach, subject 7 to the standard reservations for determination of allow-8 ability upon engineering review and final audit subsequent 9 to the time when these operations have actually been com-10 pleted.

MR. KIRKWOOD: N-m-mhm.

MR. PETROE: Any questions? (No response)
Recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: Page 29 -- an/analogous to the preceding item. This is also a request for approval for additional funds for a project heretofore approved under the title of "Subsidence Maintenance" and this request is being made to insure that emergency repairs can be made to terminal facilities if required prior to the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 1953.

MR. KIRKWOOD: M-m-mhm.

MR. PEIRCE: The recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: Again ... the Commission heretofore approved on a fiscal year basis a project under the title of "Roads and Streets". It has now developed that additional unforeseen costs will be incurred by the Harbor

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Department for work on the sub-project of the pontoon bridge relocation. The west approach to the Pontoon Bridge remains low and the request is made to obtain prior approval for raising the site of Seaside Boulevard and the surrounding area which will be necessary to meet the Pontoon Bridge. No approvals are being requested in connection with work on the bridge as such, which is not qualified. It is recommended the additional costs be approved as desailed on

MR. KIRKWOOD: Move the approval.

MR. HORTIG: page 32, subject to the standard limitations.

MR. PEIRCE: O.K.?

GOVERNOR POWERS: Yes, that's O.K.

MR. PETRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: The Commission has also approved (page 33) the Pier E area project for the 1957-58 fiscal year, but it has been determined from proceeding with the project that additional costs will have to be incurred for earth filling the area between bulkheads and the road in the center of the pier, which were not clearly foreseen at the time of presentation of the original Pier E project estimates to the Commission. It is recommended that conditional authorization or approval be given for expenditure of the additional funds.

MR. KIRKWOOD: C. K.

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(No response) 1 MR. PEIRCE: Any questions? 2 Recommendation is approved. 3 MR. HORTIG: Page 35 is strictly the monthly continuation of the Town Lot project which still is not 4 processed sufficiently to be proposed in its entirety and 5 therefore the Harbor Department is again 6 7 MR. KIRKWOOD: Approved. 8 MR. HORTIG: ... submitting a request on a monthly 9 basis. MR. PEIRCE: Any questions? (No response) 10 11 recommendation is approved. That takes care of Long 12 Beach? 13 MR. HORTIG: I believe that takes care of all personal appearances, if you would care to raise the 14 15 question. 16 MR. PEIRCE: Does anybody have any matter before 17 the Commission upon which you would like to be heard? 18 Otherwise, we will return to the agenda and consider it 19 in order. (No response) 20 MR. HORTIG: Page 6, then. Mineral Extraction 21 Lease P.R.C. 1498.2 was issued in anticipation of the 22 development and shipment of commercial grade uranium ore. 23 The lessee has labored diligently to develop such a process 24 that would be economically feasible but has been unable to 25 meet the specifications of the Atomic Energy Commission,

who have since also curtailed purchases of uranium oxide

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from new mills. There are no royalties due on the lease and advance rental for the year 1957 has been paid.

MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Are all of those dates right in there? Some of those are subsequent, but I guess that's C. K.

May 31, 1958. We are not there yet, and the Commission's prior approval of deferment was for the preceding year rather than the advance year.

The Commission has heretofore approved a prospecting permit covering certain areas in San Luis Obispo County, initiated for the development of chrome ore. It has been found that commercially valuable deposits of minerals have been developed under the prospecting permit. The prospecting permittees have requested that a preferential mineral extraction lease be issued as provided for in the permit. The royalty rates were also set forth in the prospecting permit at the time of issuance and are repeated here. It is recommended that the Commission authorize issuance of a preferential mineral extraction lease to Carl Pierce, Feree Pierce and Frank Pierce covering Lots 1 and 7, in accordance with those sections of the prospecting permit that are delineated in Prospecting Fermit 1899.2, subject to the deposit of performance bond in the amount of 01,000.00.

MR. KIRKWOOD: O. K., I guess.

GOVERNOR POWERS: M-m-mhm.

MR. PEIRCE: All right. The recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: Ken, Page 9.

MR. SMITH: Page 9 -- Sale of vacant school land.

Application has been received for the purchase of 40 acres in San Diego County. The appraisal is established at 500.00 or \$12.50 an acre. Under the competitive bidding seven separate bids were received, ranging from a low of 520 to a high of \$1001.20. Two of those bids were faulty that by Esther Bradberry, since it was not submitted on the form prescribed by the Commission in the public notice, and also the bid of James G. Ronis -- the envelope did not contain the notation "School Land Bid - Offer No. 163" as specified in the public notice. The first applicant, who had the right to meet the highest bid, indicated he did not wish to do so.

It is recommended that the Commission find that the 40 acres in San Diego County are not suitable for cultivation without irrigation, reject the following bids for failure to comply with the regulations set forth and required: The bid of Esther Bradberry -- form of bid not submitted on the form prescribed by the Commission; bid of James Ronis -- sealed bid did not contain the notation on the outside thereof "School Land Bid - Offer

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No. 183;" and by reason of the first applicant having relinquished his right to meet the highest bonafide bid, authorize the sale to the highest bidder -- authorize the sale to the next highest bidder, Samuel M. Caplin, at \$1,000, with all usual reservations.

MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. SMITH: Page 11 -- sale of vacant school land.

It is recommended that the Commission authorize the sale of school land for cash at the highest offer, in accordance with the following tabulations, such sales to be authorized according to all standard reservations including minerals.

MR. PEIRCE: Any question? (No response) The recommendation is approved.

Federal land, where the applicant to the State has cancelled. It is recommended that the Commission determine it is to the advantage of the State to select 80 acres in San Bernardino County; that the Commission authorize the sale of said land and authorize sale thereof in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the sale of vacant school lands.

Recommendation is approved. (No response)n

THR. SHITH: Page 19. Sale of vacant Federal land.

It is recommended that the Commission determine it is to the advantage of the State to select 1/0 acres in Los Angeles

County; that the said Commission find the said land is 1 not suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation; 2 that the Commission authorize the sale for cash to Wesley 3 P. Beans at the appraised price of \$600, subject to all 4 statutory reservations including minerals, upon the 5 conveyance of the land to the State. 6 MR. PEIRCE: Any questions? 7 GOVERNOR POWERS: O. II. 8 MR. PEIRCE: The recommendation is approved. 9 MR. HORTIG: Page 20. An application has been 10 received for permit to conduct seismic surveys in San 11 Francisco Bay off Candlestick Point, which is the same 12 13 area that the Legislature has authorized the Commission to sell to San Francisco, and such lands will be used for 14 utilization as a parking lot for the Giants' baseball 15 16 stadium. Inasmuch as these shots will be jetted in un-17 occupied lands, in other words holes in the Bay, permit 18 will be authorized by Fish and Game, who will have an 19 inspector on the site, the only thing that will be hurt 20 by this operation. It is recommended that permit be 21 issued for the seismic 22 MR. KIRKWOOD: 0.K. 23 MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved. MR. HORTIG: Page 37. Sorry -- back to 23..... 24 25 MR. PRIRCE: Page 23? 26 MR. HORTIG: ... which represents what was done by

the Stato Lands Division in cooperation with and at the request of the City of Santa Barbara and Division of Beaches and Parks, because an upland owner decided to grade his lot and pour his excess fill material on the beach, to the alleged detriment of Arroyo Burro Beach Park; and in order to determine the equities and the rights, it was necessary that we know the boundaries of the State lands, and so our staff recorded the survey of the high water mark and it was necessary that this map be recorded as future evidence of the boundary of the tidelands.

IR. KIRKWOOD: O.K.

MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. HORTIG: Now, we will try 37. There follows, from 37 through 50, tabulation of the actions taken by the Executive Officer under delegation of authority and issuance of standard permits, easements and rights of way

MR. PEIRCE: It has been moved and seconded that these items be approved. So will be the order.

MR. HORTIG: Following, on page 51, a supplementary calendar item -- Ken?

HR. SMITH: That involves a sale of sovereign lands pursuant to Chapter 1437 of the Statutus of 1957. Commission is authorized to sell a parcel of sovereign land in Arcata Bay consisting of 3.27 acres. The act provides that the owner or owners of the land abutting the described

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parcel shall, upon application, be the preferred purchaser for a period of one year from the act. The Commission on August 8, 1957 authorized the Executive Officer to proceed with the sale at the appraised market value, subject to all statutory reservations, except that mineral rights shall be conveyed with the surface rights and subject to final approval by the Commission.

In view of the fact that the act is silent on mineral rights, the rese ation of all minerals by the State under any sale is considered mandatory pursuant to applicable sections of the Public Resources Code.

An application to purchase has been received from Bracut Lumber Company. A review of the records indicates that A and F Lands Company, Inc. is an abutting landowner to the extent of 300 feet on the northerly portion of the parcel to be sold. This parcel is approximately half a mile in length. A waiver of the preferred right to purchase by reason of being an abutting landowner has been obtained on March 17, 1958.

The appraisal of the land is \$75.00 an acre, and it is recommended that, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1437, Statutes of 1957, the Commission authorize the sale to the abutting landowner at a cash price of \$245.25, subject to including all statutory reservations including minerals, of the land described; and it is further recommended

MR. KIRKWOOD: O. K.

MR. PEIRCE: Recommendation is approved.

MR. KIRKWOOD: Isn't that a different type of setup than we have had?

MR. HORTIG: Yes sir, this is one that is unusual.

We have had others like it scattered over the years.

What occurred was -- two different surveyors surveyed two supposedly adjoining parcels and actually left a space between the parcels, where there shouldn't have been a space. Fifteen years later, under a title report, people who thought they owned it and had paid taxes on it, found out they didn't own it. And through this legislation we have the authority to sell the equitable interest in it.

MR. PEIRCE: Does that conclude the agenda?

MR. HORTIG: It does except one point. Shall we proceed as usual with your secretaries to arrange for a meeting early in May?

MR. PEIRCE: I think you should proceed in the usual way. Mr. Hortig, I don't think we concluded our discussion this morning -- or did we -- on the matter of your suggestion with respect to our future employment of our consultants. Do you want to discuss that now or is this something that should be taken up at a later time?

MR. HORTIG: I can discuss it now because I also have had the advantage of a conference during the luncheon recess with the consultants, so I know on what basis things

can be recommended to the John Ission. We are not com-pletely cortain whether the existing service contracts with the consultants are going to require modification at this time in terms of funds allotted to those contracts. It is anticipated there may be a necessity for augmenting those contracts and I would propose at that time that that augmentation also approve -- subject to the approval of the Commission and yours as the Director of Finance --a revision in those contracts to extend to the end of this fiscal year, with the anticipation then that should it be desirable for the Commission to have a consultant review of bids, if a basis for evaluation of rejection ever arose, that we have the contract for services of these gentlemen -- and they have evinced a willingness to continue with the contract on that basis.

in behalf of myself -- and I am sure I speak for my two fellow members of the Commission -- I want to express to you our deep appreciation of the services you have rendered to us under circustances that could otherw.e have been very, very difficult. We have been wrestling with this problem for several years, as a matter of fact, and to have had the advice and counsel of two men nationally recognized, as you two are, and your respective firms, has been a source of great comfort to us; and I am sure your counsel will have proved invaluable to us as time goes on

and we proceed with our leasing operations. I, personally, feel most comfortable with regard to your looking over our shoulders during these difficult times, and I am sure that the results will greatly benefit the people of the State of California; and yet I am sure that your counsel has given equal importance to the interests of the oil industry in having those inducements that are necessary for them to go out there and risk their capital and find oil, if oil is to be found.

I want to pay special tribute to Mr. Kirkwood for having originated the idea of employing special consultants. It has worked out wonderfully well and I am glad he thought of it originally.

We are grateful to you and, as Mr. Hortig has indicated, with the passing of time we can determine the extent to which we will need further advice from the two of you. Have you any comments, Mr. Kirkwood?

LR. KIRKWOOD: Yes. I'd like to join with you in your expression of gratitude to the consultants. I certainly feel they have been extremely helpful and I know I have had a great deal out of the discussions I have had with them and feel it has been very helpful to me. I do want to ask one question of Mr. Kaveler off-the-record —I think this is something we are going to need on evaluation. I think it does point to our problem. This sort of thing is going to be tough on us, I am sure, at the time

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those bids in and I think we want as much support for our action as we can get.

DR. KAVELER: I might say, on behalf of Mr.
Wanenmacher and myself, that we appreciate the words of the Chairman of the Commission. Seldom do our clients tell us our work is beneficial, so we appreciate it.
Of course, we found here an extreme courtesy on the part of the Commission and the staff, so we found everything to facilitate our work. We appreciate the courtesies extended us by the staff.

MR. PEIRCE: Is there any further business?

MR. KIRKWCCD: Let's find out now on this staffing thing. Is that ready for review?

AR. HORTIG: Not completely. We have Keplinger and Wanenmacher's recommendations in hand in my office in Los Angeles. I have to review further what is to come from Dr. Kaveler, which he expects to be here some time next week. We will make additional copies and get them to you gentlemen for additional discussion and review with you.

MR. KIRKWCOD: The other thing is this Kraft thing.

MR. HORTIG: In view of the change in geography,

I was unable to arrange to have him present here today, so
with the high hope that you gentlemen will meet in Los

Angeles in May

MR. KIRKWOOD: It can be deferred until then?

MR. PAIRCE: It doesn't complicate things to doser it? MR. HORTIG: Not for him -- just that much longor I don't have an assistant. MR. PEIRCE: All right. I guess that concludes the meeting. MEETING ADJOURNED 3:22 P.M. ***************

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