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Abrief summary of financial proposals filed with and actions by the S.E.C.



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#### BROOKS & PERKINS PROPOSES STOCK OFFERING

Brooks & Perkins, Incorporated, 1950 West Fort St., <u>Detroit, Mich.</u>, filed a registration statement (File 2-14563) with the SEC on November 26, 1958 seeking registration of 100,000 shares of its Common Stock, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Watling, Lerchen & Co. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company is engaged in the rolling and fabrication of magnesium and magnesium alloys, and in the fabrication of other metals and alloys, including titanium, aluminum, lithium and zircon-lum. Net proceeds of this stock sale will be used as follows: \$500,000 to complete the company's commitment to purchase at par 5,000 shares of the \$100 par common stock of Alabama Metallurgical Corporation; and the balance for general corporate purposes.

Alabama Metallurgical was organized in 1956 jointly by Brooks & Perkins and Dominion Magnesium Limited, a Canadian corporation. The latter two originally had equal stock ownership in Alabama. On June 19, 1958, the company acquired all of Dominion's stock in Alabama. Thereafter, in October 15, 1958, the company entered into an agreement with Calumet & Hecla, Inc., providing, among other things, for immediate recapitalization of Alabama with authorized capital stock of 2,500,000, represented by a single class of 25,000 shares of \$100 par common stock. The company was 2,500 shares and Calumet 6,000 shares, purchased by each at par. Under the agreement, the company also is required to purchase an additional 5,000 shares at par and Calumet the remaining 11,500 shares at par.

Alabama was organized to build and operate a high-purity magnesium production plant near Selma, Ala. The plant site is located on the Alabama River about 75 miles south of Birmingham and 40 miles west of Montgomery. Ground has been broken and construction of the plant is expected to be completed by the end of 1959 at a cost (including machinery and initial working capital) estimated at \$4,500,000, of which \$2,500,000 will be provided by the total capital investments of the company and Calumet and the balance through borrowings.

#### EAST OHIO GAS PROPOSES NOTE ACQUISITION

The East Ohio Gas Company, Cleveland, Ohio, has applied to the SEC for permission to purchase three-year  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  promissory note of Tracco Cleveland, Inc., in the amount of \$1,825,000; and the ommission has issued an order (Release 35-13870) giving interested persons until December 10, 1958, request a hearing.

East Ohio owns and occupies an office building in Cleveland which within the next ten years ill not provide adequate office space. Accordingly, it proposes to enter into a long term lease for ffice space at an annual rental of \$683,000 in an office building under construction in Cleveland y Tracco, and expected to be completed in 1959.

In connection with such transaction East Ohio intends to sell its office premises consistland, the main office and annex, and garage buildings. Tracco has agreed to purchase the roperties for \$2,600,000, of which \$775,000 will be paid in cash and the balance of \$1,825,000 by he issuance of the three-year notes which will be secured by a purchase money mortgage on the roperties.

#### STANWAY OIL AND UNITED STANDARD HEARING REQUESTS GRANTED

The Securities and Exchange Commission has granted requests filed by Stanway Oil Corporation, Los Angeles, and United Standard Corporation, Brenham, Texas, for hearings on the question whether prior orders of the Commission temporarily suspending Regulation A exemptions from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to proposed public stock offerings by the respective companies should be vacated or made permanent. (Release No. 33-3998).

The hearing with respect to Stanway is scheduled for January 16, 1959, in the Commission's San Francisco Regional Office and concerning United for January 13, 1959, in the Commission's Fort Worth Regional Office.

In a Regulation A notification filed October 20, 1958, Stanway proposed the public offerin of 300,000 common shares at \$1 per share pursuant to the conditional exemption from registration provided by Regulation A. The exemption was temporarily suspended by Commission order of November 14, 1958, the order asserting that the notification failed to disclose that Cadillac Oil Company is a predecessor or to include the required financial statements and that the company's offering circular contains false and misleading statements of material facts and omits to state certain material facts. (For details, see Release No. 3993).

United proposed the public offering of 300,000 common shares at \$1 per share in a notification filed October 6, 1958. In its order of October 28, 1958, suspending the Regulation A exemption from registration, the Commission asserted that United failed to comply with certain conditions of Regulation A and that its offering circular was false and misleading in respect of certain material facts. (For details, see Release No. 3983).

#### TWO GUYS FROM HARRISON PROPOSE DEBENTURE OFFERING

Two Guys From Harrison, Inc., Building 209, Port Newark, Newark, N. J., filed a registration statement (File 2-14564) with the SEC seeking registration of \$2,500,000 of Convertible Subordinated Debentures due January 1, 1974, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Bache & Co. The interest rate, public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company presently operates 18 retail stores. It contemplates opening four new stores in northern New Jersey during 1959, of which two will be new locations and two will be expansions of existing units. The new units will be opened in existing buildings; the expanded units are to be built by the company. The total cost of this program of acquisition and construction is estimate approximately \$6,100,000, of which \$5,800,000 represents the cost of land and buildings and \$300,000 represents fixtures and inventory.

Of the total amount required, approximately \$1,700,000 has been provided for by means of purchase money mortgages and mortgage commitments; approximately \$2,300,000 will be realized from the issuance and sale of the debentures; and the company expects to derive some \$400,000 from deposits on leased departments and \$160,000 through purchase of equipment on conditional sales contracts. The company contemplates raising the remaining \$1,540,000 by additional mortgage financing on the new properties.

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