

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3747, June 22, 1963]

**AN ACT GRANTING AURORA VIAJE A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN AN ICE PLANT AND COLD
STORAGE IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MANDALUYONG, SAN
JUAN, MAKATI AND PASIG, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF RIZAL,
AND TO SELL ICE AND ACCEPT COMMODITIES FOR STORAGE
THEREIN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Subject to the conditions imposed by this Act, there is granted to Aurora Viaje, hereinafter referred to as the grantee, a franchise to construct, operate and maintain an ice plant and cold storage in the municipalities of Mandaluyong, San Juan, Makati and Pasig, all in the Province of Rizal, to sell ice therein and to accept commodities for storage and to charge and collect a schedule of prices and rates for the ice so manufactured, and the commodities stored, which schedule of prices and rates shall at all times be subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission.

SEC. 2. The grantee shall manufacture and supply ice and accept commodities for storage up to the limit of the capacity of her plant.

SEC. 3. All the apparatus and appurtenances to be used by the grantee shall be modern, safe, and first class in every respect, and the grantee shall, whenever the Congress of the Philippines shall determine that public interest reasonably requires it, change or alter any of her apparatus and appurtenances at grantee's expense.

SEC. 4. If the grantee shall not commence the manufacture of ice and supply cold storage in the said municipalities mentioned herein within two years from the approval of this Act, unless prevented by an act of God, or *force majeure*, martial law, riot, civil commotion, usurpation by a military power or by any other cause beyond the grantee's control, this franchise shall become null and void.

SEC. 5. This franchise is granted subject to the provisions of Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred forty six, as amended, only with respect to the fixing of rates and with the understanding and upon condition that it shall be subject to amendment, alteration, or repeal by the Congress of the Philippines when public interest so requires.

SEC. 6. In the event of any competing individual, association of persons, or corporation receiving from the Congress of the Philippines a similar franchise in which there shall be any term or terms more favorable than those herein granted or