[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6419, October 04, 1971]

AN ACT GRANTING PATRICIO MEDALLA A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN AN ICE PLANT AND COLD STORAGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STO. TOMAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, AND TO SELL ICE AND SUPPLY COLD STORAGE IN THE WHOLE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS.

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 hereby granted Patricio Medalla, hereinafter referred to as the grantee, a franchise to construct, operate and maintain an ice plant and cold storage in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Province of Batangas, for the manufacture and distribution of ice, to supply cold storage in the whole Province of Batangas, and to charge and collect a schedule of prices and rates for the ice and cold storage so furnished, which schedule of prices and rates shall, at all times, be subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission or its legal successor.

- SEC. 2. The grantee shall manufacture and supply ice up to the limit of the capacity of his plant, said limit to be determined by the Public Service Commission or his legal successor in such certificate of convenience and Public necessity as may be issued by it as prescribed by Section four hereof.
- SEC. 3. All apparatus and appurtenances to be used by the grantee shall be modern, safe and first class in every Aspect, and the grantee shall, whenever the Public Service Commission shall determine that public interest reasonably requires it, change or alter any of his apparatus and appurtenances at grantee's expense.
- SEC. 4. This franchise shall continue for a period of twenty-five years from the date said plant and cold storage shall be placed in operation and shall commence the manufacture and distribution of ice whenever it is established, and is made subject to the express condition that the same shall be null and void unless the construction of said plant and cold storage be begun within one year from the date of approval of this Act and completed within three years from said date, except when prevented by an act of God, *force majeure*, martial law, riot, civil commotion, usurpation by military power or any other cause beyond the grantee's control.
- SEC. 5. After the grantee's compliance with the requirements of the next preceding section, the Public Service Commission or its legal successor, by proper orders or writ, shall authorize the construction of necessary work for the purpose of this franchise within a reasonable time to be determined by the said Commission.

Upon determination by the Public Service Commission or its legal successor after a hearing, upon reasonable written notice to the grantee, that the latter has violated