

Ohio Revised Code Section 4971.04 Powers of new company.

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The reorganized railroad company may, within six months after the organization, assume such debts or liabilities of the original company and make such adjustments or exchanges with any bondholder of the original company, and, within one year, make such adjustments or exchanges with any stockholder of the original company, as are expedient. For such purpose, the company may use bonds or stock which it is authorized to issue or create. It may make and issue such bonds, payable at times and places and bearing rates of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, as it deems expedient, and secure the payment of bonds which it issues or assumes to pay by mortgages or deeds of trust of its railroad or other property, including all its cars, other rolling stock, equipment, machinery, tools, implements, fuel, materials, and other things then held or later acquired for constructing, operating, or repairing the railroad, or for repairing or replacing its equipment or appurtenances, as part and parcel of the railroad, and as constituting with the railroad one property. It also may include in such mortgage or deeds of trust all franchises held by the company connected with or related to the railroad, and all its other corporate franchises. Such franchises, including the franchise to be a corporation, in case of sale by virtue of such mortgage or deed of trust, or of any judgment specified in section 4971.07 of the Revised Code, shall pass to the purchasers to enable them to reorganize the company. Such company may issue an amount of capital stock which it deems proper, not exceeding a limit fixed by agreement with the trustees purchasing, and may establish preferences in respect to dividends or distributions in favor of any class of the stock in such order and manner as it deems expedient, not exceeding the limits fixed by such agreement. If authorized by the agreement, such company may confer on holders of bonds which it issues or assumes to pay the right to vote at meetings of stockholders, not exceeding one vote for every fifty dollars of the par amount of the bonds as was provided for in the agreement. Such right, once fixed, shall attach to and pass with such bonds, under such regulations as the bylaws prescribe, to the successive holders of such bonds, but does not subject the holder to assessment by the company or to liability for its debts, and does not entitle him to dividends or distributions.