BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of R. H. McALLISTER and J. B. CHESSHER for certificate declaring that public convenience and necessity require the exercise of a right to maintain and operate a system of distributing water under a franchise.

ORIGINAL

APPLICATION NO. 8957.

John C. Miles by D. R. Peck for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION.

OPINION

R. H. McAllister and J. B. Chessher, applicants herein, request authority to operate a public utility water system and to distribute and sell water for domestic purposes to the residents of Tract No. 4741, Los Angeles County.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Williams at Los Angeles. Due notice thereof was published and all interested parties given an opportunity to be present and to be heard.

The testimony shows that this system was installed by J. D. Millar to aid in the sale of 503 lots in the tract, and at the present time there are approximately 140 consumers located thereon who have heretofore received water free of charge.

Applicants having purchased the water system, and having made application to the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County for a franchise, now desire to conduct the business as a public utility and to furnish water to consumers at a rate to be established

by this Commission.

The water supply is obtained from a well from which it is elevated by air pressure into storage tanks, fifty feet above ground, the equipment consisting of an air compressor, gas engine, distribution mains and service pipes.

At the hearing applicant requested that the present rates of the Moneta Water System, operating a similar water plant in adjacent territory, be established. These rates were supposed to be the same as set forth in the application. However, the Commission's file discloses slight differences, which have been corrected in the schedule attached to the order herein.

No other public utility serves water in the vicinity, and no one appeared to oppose the granting of the certificate. It therefore appears that the application should be granted and a schedule of rates established similar to those granted the Moneta Water Company operating in the immediate vicinity and under similar conditions.

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R. H. McAllister and J. B. Chessher, having made application as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been submitted and being now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require that R. H. McAllister and J. B. Chessher operate a water system, for the purpose of supplying water for domestic purposes to residents of Tract No.4741, Los Angeles County, in accordance with the terms and conditions of a franchise granted by Ordinance No. 896, new series, of the County of Los Angeles, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that R. H. McAllister and J. B. Chessher be and they are hereby authorized and directed to file with this Commission within twenty (20) days from the date hereof, the following schedule of rates to be collected for all water delivered to consumers subsequent to August 31.1923:

MONTHLY FLAT RATES

For residence of five rooms or less\$1.	00
For each additional room over five	10
For each bath tub	.25
For each toilet	.25
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For each additional automobile	15
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For each additional horse or cow	.15
Sprinkling or irrigating lawns or gardens, for each month during which water is used per 100 square feet surface irrigated	
Stores or shops	. 50
Soda fountains either alone or in connection with other business 1	. 50
Monthly minimum flat rate 1	.50
When consumer is on flat rate, water must not be run from open hose, or otherwise than through sprinkler and residence faucets, unless previously arranged for at an additional charge of \$0.75 per month for each hose connection.	n-

All other use to be charged for at meter rates.

MONTHLY METER RATES

For 800	cubic feet	or less		\$1.50
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All ove	r 800 cubic	feet per 100	cubic feet	

Meters may be installed upon any service at the option of either the utility or the consumer. If installed at the option of the utility, the entire cost shall be borne by the utility. If installed at the request of the consumer, the cost of meter and installation shall be advanced by the consumer to the utility and the money so advanced shall be refunded to the depositor as credits on monthly bills for water furnished at the rate of thirty per cent of the total amount of such monthly bills.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that R. H. McAllister and J. B. Chessher be and they are hereby directed to file with this

Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this order, rules and regulations to govern relations with consumers, such rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance by the Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6

Commissioners.