Decision No. <u>13467</u>.

BEFORE THE RAILEOAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of

H. D. VAIL and ANNA H. VAIL for certificate of public convenience and necessity.

Application No. 9834.

E. D. Vail in propria persona.J. I. Boheim in propria persona.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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In this application H. D. Vail and Anna H. Vail ask that they be granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity permitting the operation of a public utility to supply water for domestic purposes to territory in the vicinity of Downey, Los Angeles County.

A public hearing in this matter was held at Los Angeles before Exeminer Williams after all interested parties had been duly notified and given an opportunity to be present and be heard. The application was amended at the hearing to include J. I. Boheim as an applicant, as he is a part owner in the water system, and the request was also made that the Commission establish rates to be charged for the service rendered.

This water system was installed to aid in the sale of

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lots by applicants, and consists of an 8 inch well 117 feet deep, a 2 inch centrifugal pump operated by a 5 horse power electric motor automatically controlled, an elevated tank of 3,000 gallons capacity, and a distribution pipe system consisting of 2 inch and 3 inch mains. Thirty-seven lots will be supplied eventually with water, the same being a subdivision of Lots 8 to 14 inclusive, of Tract No. 2707, Los Angeles County. Seven consumers are now supplied with water for which no charge is made.

The testimony shows that applicants are able to render adequate service in the territory they have undertaken to supply. A full return upon the investment is not expected at this time, and applicants are willing to accept a schedule of rates similar to those charged by other utilities operating in the vicinity under like conditions.

No one appeared to protest the granting of this spplication, and it is evident that public convenience and necessity will be best served by authorizing applicants to operate the water system as a public utility.

## ORDER

Application having been made to this Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity and for the establishment of rates, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been submitted, and the Commission being now fully informed in the matter.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HERE-BY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require and will require that H. D. Vail, Anna E. Vail and J. I. Boheim operate a public utility water system in the territory described in the

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### application herein.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that H. D. Vail, Anna H. Vail and J. I. Boheim be and they are hereby authorized to file with this Commission within twenty (20) days from the date of this order the following schedule of rates to be charged for all water delivered to consumers subsequent to May 31, 1924:

#### MONTHLY MINIMUM METER CHARGES

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Each of the foregoing monthly minimum meter charges will entitle the consumer to the quantity of water which that amount of money will purchase at the following monthly meter rates.

#### MONTHLY METER RATES

From	0	to	400	cubic	fect.	ver	100	cubic	feet	-	\$0.25
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From	1000	to	3000	11	17		17	<del>11</del>	π	-	.15
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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 thereof shell be borne by the utility. If installed at the option of the consumer, the cost of the meter and its installation shall be advanced by the consumer to the utility, and the amount so deposited shall be refunded to the consumer as credits on the monthly bills for water consumed, at the rate of 30% of the total amount of such monthly bills.

#### MONTHLY FLAT RATES

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that H. D. Vail, Anna H. Vail and J. I. Boheim be and they are hereby directed to file

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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 24 th day of April, 1924.

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