

Decision No. 14661.

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
GOODRICH BROTHERS )  
for permission to sell water to per- ) Application No. 10740.  
sons occupying and living on lots in )  
Tract No. 6441, County of Los Angel- )  
es, State of California. )

H. B. Goodrich for applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In the above entitled application Goodrich Brothers, a co-partnership, ask that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be granted them to furnish water for domestic purposes to residents living in Tract No. 6441, Los Angeles County, for which service they desire the Commission to establish a flat rate charge of \$1.50 per month for each consumer.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Williams at Los Angeles, after due notice thereof had been given so that all interested parties might appear and be heard.

The testimony shows that this water system was installed to aid in the sale of lots in this tract, and that service is now being rendered to ten consumers at the rate of \$1.50 per month. The water supply is obtained from the Hawthorne Municipal Water Works through a master meter at the City's regular rates, and is thereafter distributed by applicants.

The flat rate of \$1.50 for each domestic consumer, as requested by applicant, is reasonable and compares favorably with the rates charged by other public utilities serving water and operating under like conditions. However, as the water supply for this system is purchased through a meter, it is thought advisable to establish a meter rate which may be applied in cases of an excessive use of water by any of the consumers.

It appears that the pipe lines were installed in this tract prior to acceptance by the county authorities, so that a franchise is unnecessary. There is no other public utility serving water in the immediate vicinity and no one appeared to contest the granting of the application. It is evident, therefore, that this application should be granted.

### O R D E R

Application having been made as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted and being now ready for decision,

**THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**HEREBY DECLARES** that public convenience and necessity require and will require that Goodrich Brothers, a co-partnership, construct and operate a water system for the purpose of supplying water for domestic purposes in Tract No. 6441, Los Angeles County; and

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Goodrich Brothers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to file with the Railroad Commission of the State of California, within twenty (20) days from the date of this order, the following schedule of rates to be charged for all service rendered subsequent to March 31, 1925:

MONTHLY FLAT RATES

For each house with five rooms or less . . . . .	\$1.50
For each additional room . . . . .	.15
For each barn with one horse, cow or goat. . . . .	.20
Irrigation of lawns, gardens or shrubbery, per square yard. . . . .	.005

MONTHLY METER RATES

For 500 cubic feet or less . . . . .	\$1.25
From 500 to 1000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet . . . . .	.20
From 1000 to 2000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet . . . . .	.15
All over 2000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet . . . . .	.12

MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGES

5/8 inch meter . . . . .	\$1.25
3/4 inch meter . . . . .	1.75
1 inch meter . . . . .	2.75
1 1/2 inch meter . . . . .	5.00
2 inch meter . . . . .	7.50
3 inch meter . . . . .	15.00

NOTE: Each of the foregoing "minimum monthly charges" will entitle the consumer to the quantity of water which that minimum charge will purchase at the monthly meter rates set out above.

Meters may be installed at the option of the utility or the consumer. If installed at the option of the utility the entire cost thereof shall be at its expense. If installed at the option of the consumer the actual cost thereof shall be deposited by the consumer with the utility and the amount so deposited shall be returned to such consumer as credits on the monthly bills for water consumed at the rate of 50% of such monthly bills, provided however that the maximum deposit required for 5/8 inch meters shall not exceed the sum of \$15.00.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Goodrich Brothers be and they are hereby directed to file with the Railroad Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this order, rules and regulations governing the distribution of water to consumers, said rules to become effective upon their acceptance by this Commission.

For all other purposes, the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1925.

*W. B. Boardman*  
*C. A. Sealey*  
*Egerton Shore*  
*Commissioners*