Decision No. 1642/.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) HARPER BROS. COMPANY for an order permitting applicant to discontinue Water Service.

Application No. 12490.

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Henry O. Wackerbarth for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Harper Bros. Company, a corporation, is engaged, among other things, in the public utility business of furnishing water for domestic purposes to certain residents of Laurel Canyon and the immediate vicinity in the City of Los Angeles. The application in this proceeding alleges in effect that the City of Los Angeles has annexed the territory in which this company was serving water and has extended its municipal water system throughout the entire district. The Commission is therefore requested to anthorize applicant to discontinue its public utility water service.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Williams in Los Angeles after all interested parties had been duly notified and given an opportunity to be present and be heard.

The evidence shows that this company has obtained its water supply by purchasing from the municipal water system of Los

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Angeles, which water system has now been extended completely throughout the service area of this company. In fact, practically all of the consumers heretofore served by applicant are at present being served with water from the city system, and those few who at the time of the submission of this case were still receiving water from this company expected to be connected up with the municipal mains within the course of thirty days thereafter.

It appears therefore that all of the consumers heretofore served by this utility are now being served by the municipal water supply or will be so served on or before the first day of May, 1926. The Commission therefore is of the opinion that the application should be granted.

<u>ORDER</u>

Harper Bros. Company, a corporation, having made application to this Commission for permission to discontinue water service to its consumers in and near Laurel Canyon, in the City of Los Angeles, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted, and the Commission being now fully informed in the matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Harper Bros. Company, a corporation, be and the same is hereby anthorized to discontinue on the thirtieth day of April, 1926, the service of water to all consumers in the territory heretofore served by it in and in the vicinity of Laurel Canyon, in the City of Los Angeles, and thereafter be relieved of all public utility obligations and liabilities in connection therewith, upon the following conditions and not otherwise:

1. That within ten (10) days from the date of this order Harper Bros. Company shall notify in writing each of the consumers, if any, now being served by it with water, of its intention to discontinue the operation of its water system on April 30, 1926.

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2. That Harper Bros. Company shall file with this Commission within twenty (20) days from the date of this order, an affidavit setting forth the fact that each consumer, if any, now receiving water from its system was duly notified of its intention to discontinue the operation of the plant on April 30, 1926, or that all consumers heretofore served are receiving water from another source, as the case may be.

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 6th day

of April, 1926.

Commissioners.