

Decision No. 16,487.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
CLAYTON E. COMSTOCK
for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a public utility water system in Tract No. 8741, Chevy Chase Manor, in the City of Long Beach and in the County of Los Angeles and State of California.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 12383.

Clayton E. Comstock, in propria persona.

Fred F. White, for City of Long Beach.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Clayton E. Comstock, in the above entitled application, asks this Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a public utility water system for the purpose of selling and distributing water for domestic purposes in Tract No. 8741, known as Chevy Chase Manor, located in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County.

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

Clayton E. Comstock subdivided Tract No. 8741 into twenty-nine lots and has installed a pumping plant and distribution system to supply the tract with water for domestic purposes until such time as the service shall be taken over by the municipal water system of the City of Long Beach.

The water supply is pumped from a well into a storage tank of 1500 gallons capacity and thereafter distributed by gravity to the consumers. There is no other water system available to supply this tract, and as no one appeared to contest the granting of this application, it appears that the request should be granted.

Applicant asks that a flat rate of \$1.50 per month for each consumer be granted and that the application be amended to include the establishment of a comparable meter rate. The rate requested being considered reasonable under the existing conditions on this system, and comparing favorably with the rate charged by other small utilities operating in the general vicinity under similar circumstances, it will therefore be established in the following order.

O R D E R

Clayton E. Comstock having made application as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been submitted and the Commission being now fully informed therein,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require and will require that Clayton E. Comstock operate a public utility for the purpose of supplying water for domestic use to consumers within Tract No. 8741, Los Angeles County.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Clayton E. Comstock be and he is hereby directed to file with the Commission, on or before twenty (20) days from the date of this order, the following schedule of rates to become effective for all water delivered to consumers subsequent to the date of the order herein.

FLAT RATE

For all residences per month \$1.50

METER RATES

Monthly Quantity Rate:

For 500 cubic feet or less \$1.50
From 500 to 2000 cubic feet, per 100 cu.ft.20
All over 2000 " " " 100 "15

Monthly Meter Rates:

For 5/8 inch meter \$1.50
For 3/4 " " 1.75
For 1 " " 2.75
For 1 1/2 " " 3.50
For 2 " " 6.00

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Clayton E. Comstock be and he is directed to file with this Commission, on or before thirty (30) days from the date of this order, rules and regulations to govern relations with his consumers, said rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance by the 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 10th day of April, 1926.

H. B. Bunnicker
Chairman
Frank W. Root

Commissioners.