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Decision No. 16608

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
CONSOLIDATED WATER AND DEVELOPMENT)
COMPANY for authority to purchase,)
and HARRY L. PERSON, GEORGE D.)
RODGERS and CLAUDE E. KINCAID for)
authority to sell that certain)
public utility commonly known as)
the Kincaid Water Plant situate)
in Tract 6812 of the County of)
Los Angeles, State of California,)
and for a certificate of public)
convenience and necessity.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 11453

Harry L. Person and F. Walton Brown & Leet W. Bissell,
By F. Walton Brown, for applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application, as amended, the Railroad Commission
is asked to make an order -

1. Authorizing Harry L. Person, George D. Rodgers
and Claude E. Kincaid to sell to
Consolidated Water and Development Company
a public utility water system known as the
Kincaid Water Plant; and

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2. Authorizing Consolidated Water and Development Company to issue in part payment its promissory note for \$5,500. payable in quarterly installments of \$500. each with interest at seven percent per annum; and
3. Declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation of the water system by Consolidated Water and Development Company in the territory served by Kincaid Water Plant; and
4. Approving a proposed schedule of rates.

The properties involved in this proceeding consist of a number of small distribution systems which were installed by real estate sub-dividers. The water supply is obtained from a deep well from which the water is pumped into a 20,000 gallon redwood tank. The combined service area of the distribution systems contains approximately 252 consumers. The territory being served is adjacent to and lying south and east of the city limits of the City of Los Angeles and is described as follows:

n Beginning at the intersection of 88th Street and McKinley Avenue; thence south by McKinley Avenue to 92nd Street; thence west by 92nd Street to South Park Avenue; thence south by South Park Avenue to 94th Street; thence west by 94th Street to San Pedro Street; thence north by San Pedro Street to 91st Street; thence west by 91st Street to Wall Street; thence north by Wall Street to 90th Street; thence east by 90th Street to San Pedro Street; thence north by San Pedro Street to 89th Street; thence east by 89th Street to South Park Avenue; thence north by South Park Avenue to 88th Street; thence east by 88th Street to the point of beginning, comprising the following subdivided tracts; 7688, 7527, 6886, 7337, 7338, 7339, 7971, 6812, 7407 and 7415.

Consolidated Water and Development Company has agreed to purchase the Kincaid properties herein mentioned for the sum of \$7,500. It has advanced the amount of \$2,000, and proposes to issue an instalment note, dated February 10, 1926, for the balance of \$5,500, payable in quarter annual instalments of \$500 each, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum.

Consolidated Water and Development Company supplies water in territory adjacent to that served by the Kincaid Water Plant, and in connection with this service has installed a well and pumping plant at the corner of 87th and San Pedro Streets. By reason of the low elevation of the storage tank and the condition of the pumping equipment this plant can not supply the consumers with adequate water at proper pressures. The facilities at the Kincaid Plant are so designed that water can be furnished under better service conditions to the territory now supplied by applicant's plant at 87th and San Pedro Streets, and it therefore appears that the acquisition of this system will better service throughout the entire territory.

The present owners of the Kincaid water system have never obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate this water system, nor have they filed their schedule of rates with the Railroad Commission.

The Consolidated Water and Development Company has filed a copy of an ordinance, No. 1234 N.S., passed by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County on March 9, 1925, and has asked for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the operation of the water plant to supply the consumers of the Kincaid system, which is within the area covered by the above franchise. The schedule of rates submitted is the one now charged by the Consolidated Water and Development Company in adjacent territory, and as the service conditions are similar, it appears that this schedule should be authorized

to apply also to the territory involved herein.

ORDER

Consolidated Water and Development Company, a corporation, and Harry L. Person, George D. Rodgers and Claude E. Kincaid having made application to this Commission 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 Consolidated Water and Development Company, a corporation, operate a water system for the purpose of supplying domestic service to the residents of Tracts Nos. 7688, 7527, 6886, 7337, 7338, 7339, 7971, 6812, 7407 and 7415, Los Angeles County and exercise the rights and privileges granted by Ordinance No. 1234 N.S. passed by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County on March 9, 1925, insofar as said ordinance refers to the operation of a water system for the purpose of supplying domestic service within the said tracts,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Harry L. Person, George D. Rodgers and Claude E. Kincaid be, and they are hereby, authorized to sell and transfer to Consolidated Water and Development Company, a corporation, for a consideration of not exceeding \$7,500., the plant and properties to which reference is made in the foregoing opinion known as the Kincaid Water Plant, and the Consolidated Water and Development Company be, and it is hereby, authorized to issue in part payment therefor its promissory note in the principal amount of not exceeding \$5,500.00, payable in quarter annual installments of \$500., with interest at not exceeding seven percent per annum.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Consolidated Water and Development Company, a corporation, be, and it is 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,

effective for all service rendered on and after May 1, 1926:

DOMESTIC FLAT RATES

- (1) For a 3/4 inch service, a monthly flat rate for residences, boarding houses or tenements of 5 rooms or less \$1.50
- For each additional room per month25
- Additional for private barn with not more than two horses or cows or one automobile, per month50
- For each additional horse or cow, per month . . .20
- For each additional automobile, per month . . .50
- (2) Sprinkling or irrigation of lawns, shrubbery, trees, gardens, etc., per square yard per month005

IRRIGATION RATES

A flat rate per hour for water delivered through a two (2) inch hydrant attached to a four (4) inch main of75

DOMESTIC METER RATES

For 400 cubic feet of water or less. \$1.00

For 400 to 1000 cubic feet, per 100 cu. ft.. .20

For 1000 to 2000 cubic feet, per 100 cu. ft. .15

All in excess of 2000 cubic feet, per 100 cu. ft.12

NOTE: Meters may be installed at the option of the consumer or the company. When a meter is installed at the request of a consumer, a deposit may be required, such deposit to be returned to the consumer as a credit on monthly bills at a rate of one twentieth (1/20) of the deposit per month.

The following deposits may be required:

For 5/8 inch meter \$15.00

For 3/4 inch meter 20.00

For 1 inch meter 25.00

For 1-1/2 inch meter 45.00

For 2 inch meter 70.00

The authority herein granted is subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) The price at which the transfer of the properties is herein authorized shall not hereafter be urged before this Commission or other court or public body having jurisdiction as a measure of value of such properties for the purpose of fixing rates or for any purpose other than this transfer, nor shall any value be claimed for the franchise rights granted by Ordinance No. 1234 N. S. in excess of the amount actually paid to the grantor for such franchise rights.
- (2) Within thirty days after the transfer of the properties herein authorized Consolidated Water and Development Company shall file with the Commission a certified copy of the deed, or deeds, under which it acquires and holds title to the properties herein authorized to be transferred, and shall at the same time file a certified statement showing the exact date upon which it took possession of such properties.
- (3) The authority herein granted to transfer properties and to exercise rights and privileges shall become effective upon the date hereof.

The authority granted to issue a note shall become effective when Consolidated Water and Development Company has paid the minimum fee prescribed by Section 57 of the Public Utilities Act, which fee is \$25.00.

- (4) Consolidated Water and Development Company shall keep such record of the issue and delivery of the note herein authorized as will enable it to file within thirty days thereafter a verified report as required by the Railroad Commission's General Order No. 24, which order insofar as applicable is made a part of this order.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this 39 day of ~~April~~ ^{May}, 1926.

H. B. Burdick
C. Leaney
Greenwood

Commissioners.

Fee \$ 25⁰⁰/₁₀₀

H. G. Matthews