

Decision No. <u>1949</u>×

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE ST

In the Matter of the Application of) FORD L. HOWLAND) for a preliminary order of present) and future public convenience and) necessity, and for order that cer-) tificate of same issue upon granting) of franchise.

Application No. 13294.

Thomas L. Clay, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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In the above entitled application Ford L. Howland asks for authority to operate a water system for the purpose of supplying domestic water to certain lots and tracts in Los Angeles County near the city of San Gabriel, and to exercise certain franchise rights to be granted by the County of Los Angeles.

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.

According to the evidence applicant is now operating a public utility water system supplying water for agricultural irrigation purposes only in a section of the territory to which he now desires to extend domestic service. The remainder of the territory to be supplied is immediately adjacent thereto. The present water system was acquired by applicant through purchase from one Donald F. Condit, approved by this Commission in its Decision No. 16573, dated April 26, 1926.

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The water supply for this area is to be obtained from three wells owned by applicant, and the quantity of water available appears to be adequate for the demands for some time in the future. There is no other public utility water system supplying domestic water in this territory, and there were no protests made against the granting of the application.

Since the hearing in the above matter applicant has filed with the Commission an affidavit showing that the County of Los Angeles has granted applicant a franchise known as Ordinance No. 1449 (New Series) to operate a water works in that territory known as East San Gabriel District, and more particularly described as follows:

> Beginning at the intersection of Live Oak Avenue and Encenita Avenue; thence easterly along said Live Oak Avenue to its intersection with El Monte Avenue; thence southerly along said El Monte Avenue to its intersection with lower Azusa County Road; thence westerly along said lower Azusa County Road to its intersection with Arden Drive; thence in a general southerly direction along said Arden Drive to its intersection with the Southern Pacific right of way; thence southwesterly along said Southern Pacific Railway right of way to its intersection with the southerly prolongation of Encenita Avenue; thence northerly in a direct line to point of beginning.

As long as applicant has already obtained his county franchise for a water works we will suthorize at this time a final certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate a water system for domestic service.

ORDER

Ford L. Howland having made application to the Railroad Commission as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission now fully advised thereon,

THE RAILRCAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require

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and will require that Ford L. Howland construct and operate a public utility water system to supply water for domestic and other purposes to consumers residing in the territory described in the preceding opinion and as set out in that certain franchise granted to said Ford L. Howland by the County of Los Angeles and known as Ordinance No. 1449 (New Series).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Ford L. Howland be and he is hereby directed to file with this Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this order, rules and regulations to govern his relations with consumers, such rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance by this Commission.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>304</u> day of March, 1927.

Commissioners.