

Decision No. 18254.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
and Petition of
SIDNEY SMITH,
doing business under the fictitious
name of HOME GARDENS WATER COMPANY,
to sell, and of the PICO COUNTY WA-
TER DISTRICT, an incorporated water
district, to purchase.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 13531.

L. E. Dadman, for Sidney Smith.

M. I. Church, for Pico County Water District.

BRUNDIGE, Commissioner:

O P I N I O N

Sidney Smith, applicant above, under the fictitious name and style of Home Gardens Water Company, is engaged in the public utility business of distributing water for domestic and irrigation purposes to consumers residing in and in the vicinity of the town of Pico, in Los Angeles County. In this application authority is requested to sell that portion of the water system serving the town of Pico to the Pico County Water District, a duly and regularly formed organization existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, which District has joined in the application.

A public hearing was held in the above entitled proceeding at Los Angeles after all interested parties had been duly notified and given an opportunity to appear and be heard.

From the evidence it appears that the Home Gardens

Water Company has agreed to sell to the above Water District that part of its system serving the town of Pico and included within the boundaries of the district for a consideration of \$5,073.43. The Water Company however will continue to operate the remainder of its system serving as heretofore consumers residing outside the boundaries of the district.

No objection was made to this proposed transfer, and it appearing that the consumers heretofore served by the Pico system will be adequately taken care of by the Water District, and that the remaining consumers outside the boundaries of said District will have available a better service and a better water supply, it therefore follows that the request should be granted.

The following form of order is submitted:

O R D E R

Sidney Smith having made application to this Commission for authority to transfer to Pico County Water District, a public corporation, that portion of the Home Gardens Water Company's system supplying water to consumers within the boundaries of said District, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been submitted, and the Commission being now fully informed thereon,

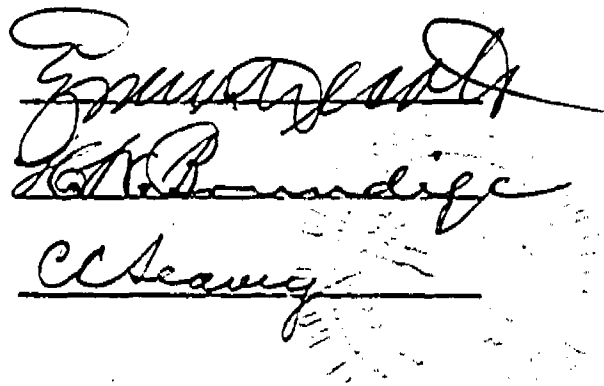
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Sidney Smith be and he is hereby authorized to transfer to Pico County Water District, a public corporation, for the sum of Three Thousand seventy-three dollars and forty-three cents (\$3,073.43), that portion of the Home Gardens Water Company's system supplying consumers within the boundaries of said District as more particularly described in the application herein, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Within ten (10) days from the date on which Sidney Smith actually relinquishes control and possession of that portion of his water system herein authorized to be transferred, he shall file with the Commission a certified statement indicating the date on which such control and possession was relinquished.
2. The authority herein granted shall apply only to such transfer as shall have been made on or before July 31, 1927, and a certified copy of the final instrument of conveyance shall be filed with this Commission by said Sidney Smith within thirty (30) days from the date on which it is executed.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

The foregoing opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the opinion and order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of April, 1927.



Commissioners.