

Decision No. 20832

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of
H. REDMOND for permission to abandon
water plant located in Long Beach,
California, Tract No. 6990 in Los
Angeles County.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 15235.

Clark H. Shaw, for Applicant
and City of Long Beach.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In the above entitled application, H. Redmond, operating a small public utility supplying water to the inhabitants of Tract No. 6990, Los Angeles County, asks permission to abandon water service.

A public hearing in the above entitled matter was held before Examiner Rowell at Long Beach.

The testimony shows that this tract is located within the corporate limits of the City of Long Beach and that, after many requests made by applicant's consumers to the city authorities for the extension of water service from the Municipal Water System of Long Beach, the city has now installed its water mains throughout the area served by applicant. At the time of the hearing, ten of a total of approximately twenty consumers had availed themselves of this service and the Superintendent of the Long Beach Water Department testified that the city would provide immediate service to any of the remaining consumers upon proper application.

The evidence submitted shows that applicant can no longer

afford to operate his water system under existing conditions and cannot reasonably be expected to continue to operate at an out-of-pocket loss. In view of the fact that all remaining consumers now receiving water service from applicant can obtain a much better and more dependable service from the Municipal System of Long Beach and at a much lower rate, it is apparent that applicant should be permitted to discontinue further public utility water service.

O R D E R

H. Redmond having made application as above entitled, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been submitted and the Commission being now fully advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that H. Redmond be and he is hereby authorized to discontinue, on and after the first day of April, 1929, the service of water to all consumers now served by him in Tract No. 6990, Los Angeles County, and thereupon and thereafter stand relieved of all public utility obligations and liabilities in connection therewith, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Within ten (10) days from the date of this Order, H. Redmond shall notify each of his consumers, in writing, of his intention to discontinue water service on and after the first day of April, 1929.
2. Within ten (10) days after such notice has been given, H. Redmond shall file with this Commission a statement to the effect that such notice has been duly given.

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 4th day of March, 1929.

Thos S. Lovitt

C. J. ...

Edward ...

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Commissioners.