

Decision No. 21485

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application
of E. BURR, doing business under
the fictitious name of CENTRAL
GARDENS WATER COMPANY, for a
Certificate that Public Convenience
and Necessity require the Operation
of a public utility water system to
supply water to certain lands in
Los Angeles County, and authority to
charge for such service.

Application No. 15685.

ORIGINAL

E. Burr, in propria persona.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

E. Burr, doing business under the fictitious name and style of Central Gardens Water Company, asks the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing him to sell water for domestic and irrigation purposes to the residents of Tracts Nos. 7984, 5103, 10587, 10442, 10634 and a tract of 33.485 acres of adjacent land lying between Wright Road and Flood Control, Los Angeles County.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Handford at Los Angeles.

The evidence shows that Mr. Burr has subdivided the above described property and to aid in the sale of lots has installed a water system which up to the present time he has operated without charging for service. He has, however, at various times received voluntary offerings from some of the consumers. Applicant has now approximately 170 consumers. The water supply

is obtained from a 12-inch well 260 feet deep which produces an adequate supply for present needs. Applicant also has three other wells which will be held in reserve for future demand. Water is pumped into a high tank from which it is distributed by gravity through a system of mains ranging from 8 inches to 2 inches in diameter.

Applicant has obtained a franchise from the County of Los Angeles, No. 1664 (New Series). This franchise does not cover the tract of 33.485 acres recently purchased. However, as this tract has not as yet been subdivided, no franchise will be required for service therein at this time. Applicant has testified that he will obtain an additional franchise as soon as the land has been subdivided and piped for water. Mr. Burr has stipulated that neither he, his successors nor his assigns will ever claim any value for these franchises, before this Commission or any other public body, in excess of their actual cost.

No objection was made by any of the consumers to the granting of this certificate and, as no other water system is operating in the immediate vicinity, it appears that the authority requested herein should be granted. The rates which applicant desires to be established are the same as now charged by the Hollydale Water Company, a public utility under the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission and serving water under similar conditions in the general vicinity. These rates are reasonable charges for the service rendered on this system under existing conditions and accordingly will be authorized herein.

O R D E R

E. Burr, doing business under the fictitious name and style of Central Gardens Water Company, having made application as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon,

the matter having been submitted and the Commission being now fully advised in the premises,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require that E. Burr, doing business under the fictitious firm name and style of Central Gardens Water Company, operate a water system for the purpose of supplying water for domestic and irrigation use on Tracts Nos. 7984, 5103, 10587, 10442, 10634 and 33.485 acres adjacent lying between Wright Road and Flood Control, Los Angeles County, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that E. Burr, doing business under the fictitious name and style of Central Gardens Water Company, be and he is hereby directed to file with the Railroad Commission of the State of California, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, the following schedule of rates to be charged for all service rendered subsequent to the 31st day of August, 1929:

MONTHLY FLAT RATES

For houses of 5 rooms, or less-----	\$ 1.50
For each additional room-----	.10
For horse, cow or goat-----	.15
For 50 chickens or rabbits, or less-----	.25
For each 50 chickens or rabbits in excess of the first 50--	.15
For sprinkling lawns, gardens or shrubbery, per 100 sq. ft.	.02

METER RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges:

For 5/8-inch meter-----	\$ 1.50
For 3/4-inch meter-----	2.50
For 1-inch meter-----	4.00
For 1 1/2-inch meter-----	7.00
For 2-inch meter-----	12.00

Each of the foregoing "Monthly Minimum Charges" will entitle the consumer to the quantity of water which that monthly charge will purchase at the following "Monthly Quantity Rates":

Monthly Quantity Rates:

From 0 to 600 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	\$00.25
From 600 to 3,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.20
All over 3,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.15

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that E. Burr, doing business under the fictitious name and style of Central Gardens Water Company, be and he is hereby directed to file with the Railroad Commission of the State of California, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, rules and regulations governing his relations with his consumers, said rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance for filing by the Railroad 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 23rd day of August, 1929.

David S. Greer
Ed. Weaver
Eugene D. ...
Leon Whitell
W. J. ...
 Commissioners.