

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 21843

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
 OAK PARK WATER COMPANY, located at  
 106 South Rosmead Blvd., Pasadena,  
 California, for an increase in water  
 rates for the Mark E. Lincoln Water  
 Works System transferred to G. B.  
 Humphrey on the 25th day of Septem-  
 ber, 1929, Application No. 15877.

Application No. 15990.

G. B. Humphrey, for Applicant.

SEAVEY, COMMISSIONER:

O P I N I O N

G. B. Humphrey, operating under the fictitious firm name of Oak Park Water Company in Los Angeles County, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for authority to charge the same schedule of rates as is now effective on the Oak Park system, for water service furnished to consumers receiving water from the adjoining Lincoln Water Works recently purchased by applicant.

A public hearing on this application was held at Los Angeles.

The Lincoln water system was installed originally by Mark E. Lincoln and his associates to aid in the sale of lots and was operated by him until acquired by G.B. Humphrey through authority granted by the Commission in its Decision No. 21598 dated September 25, 1929. The present rates provide for a monthly flat charge of \$1.50 for each house and have been in

effect since 1923. Upon acquiring the above Lincoln Water Works, applicant interconnected the system to his Oak Park plant and is now operating both as a single unit. The purpose of this application is to make the rates uniform by authorizing the schedule of rates for the Oak Park system to be charged throughout the entire service area.

Water for the Lincoln plant is obtained from a deep well and elevated into a storage tank from which it is distributed by gravity to the consumers through approximately 4,400 feet of mains varying from two to six inches in diameter. There are eighty-five consumers being served at the present time and twenty-seven additional lots in the tract that may demand service in the future.

No records were kept of the former operating costs of this system and, as applicant has been operating the two properties as a single unit for only one month, the available maintenance and operating data is of little assistance in computing a new rate schedule. A petition signed by seventy-four consumers receiving water on the Lincoln system was presented to the Commission wherein said consumers stated that under management by applicant service conditions have been vastly improved and are now satisfactory and that they were in favor of paying the uniform rate requested by Mr. Humphrey. No one protested against the request and, as it appears that the rate now charged by the Oak Park Water Company on its own system is a fair and reasonable rate to be charged to consumers in the Lincoln Water Works area, it will be so recommended.

The following form of Order is suggested.

O R D E R

G.B. Humphrey, doing business under the fictitious name

of Oak Park Water Company, having made application to this Commission as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission now being fully advised in the premises,

It is hereby found as a fact that the rates and charges of G.B. Humphrey for water delivered to his consumers in Oak Park Subdivision No. 1, Los Angeles County, in so far as they differ from the rates herein established, are unjust and unreasonable, and that the rates herein established are just and reasonable rates to be charged for the service rendered, and

Basing this Order upon the foregoing findings of fact and upon the further statements of fact contained in the Opinion which precedes this Order,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that G.B. Humphrey, doing business under the fictitious firm name and style of Oak Park Water Company, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to file with this Commission, 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 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 19  , to the consumers in Oak Park Subdivision No. 1, sometimes referred to as the Lincoln Water Works service area, Los Angeles County.

RATES

Monthly Minimum Meter Charges:

5/8-inch meter-----	\$ 1.50
3/4-inch meter-----	2.00
1-inch meter-----	3.00
1 1/2-inch meter-----	5.00
2-inch meter-----	8.00
3-inch meter-----	15.00

RATES (Contd.)

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

Monthly Meter Quantity Rates:

From 0 to 700 cubic feet-----	\$1.50
From 700 to 3,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.15
Over 3,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.10

Monthly Flat Rate Schedule:

Residence of not over five rooms, including bath and toilet, occupied by single family-----	\$1.50
For each additional room-----	.10
Shrubbery or gardens, per square yard of surface actually irrigated-----	.005

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.

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 30th day of November, 1929.

Thos. B. Lewis

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James ...

Leon ...

Atty. Gen.  
Commissioners