

Decision No. 25223

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
M.J. Pellascio and George Cremonini,
as owners of the Point Arena Water
Works of Point Arena, Mendocino County,
California, for permission to change
rates.

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) Application No. 18041.
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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION ON REHEARING

On the twelfth day of July, 1932, the Commission issued its Decision No. 24985 establishing a schedule of meter rates to be charged for service thereafter to be rendered by M.J. Pellascio and George Cremonini, who own and operate the Point Arena Water Works at Point Arena, Mendocino County, California. A petition for rehearing having been filed by said applicants, an order reopening the proceeding was issued by the Commission on the fifteenth day of August, 1932, and a public rehearing was held thereon before Examiner Satterwhite at Point Arena.

The testimony indicates that the schedule of rates established by this Commission in the above Decision No. 24985 provided for 600 cubic feet or less for a monthly minimum charge of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50). It appears that the class of water use in Point Arena is such that few, if any, consumers, even during the summertime, use as much as 600 cubic feet of water per month, the average being approximately 300 cubic feet per month. For this reason and also because of the fact that the supply of

water available in this territory is exceedingly limited, it appears that the continuation of the allowance of 600 cubic feet per month will work a financial hardship on the utility and it is clear therefore that the original allowance of 400 cubic feet per month for the minimum monthly charge of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) should be placed in effect again by this Commission.

No objection was made on the part of any of the consumers to the modification of the Commission's Order as herein indicated. A petition was filed, signed by practically all of the water users, stating that the reduction of the monthly allowance of water under the minimum charge from 600 to 400 cubic feet is satisfactory and agreeable to each and all thereof. Under these circumstances, the request of applicants for a modification of the above Order will be granted.

O R D E R

The Commission on the twelfth day of July, 1932, having issued its Decision No. 24985 establishing a schedule of rates to be charged for all water service to be rendered to consumers supplied in Point Arena, Mendocino County, California, by M.J. Pelascio and George Cremonini, operating under the fictitious firm name and style of Point Arena Water Works, the Commission by Order duly entered having granted a rehearing therein, said rehearing having been held, the matter having been submitted and the Commission being now fully advised in the premises, and other good cause therefor appearing, now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that so much of the Order in said Decision No. 24985 as fixes and establishes the schedule of meter

rates be and it is hereby modified to read as follows.

METER RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges:

5/8-inch meter-----	\$1.50
3/4-inch meter-----	2.00
1-inch meter-----	3.00

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

Monthly Quantity Rates:

0 to 400 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	\$0.37½
Next 600 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.25
Over 1,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.15

Any consumer is entitled to metered service upon application therefor and the utility may meter any and all service connections; if requested by the consumer, a deposit must be made by such consumer upon application as follows:

5/8 x 3/4-inch meter-----	\$15.00
3/4-inch meter-----	25.00
1-inch meter-----	35.00

The above deposit to be refunded to the consumer by way of credit on monthly water bills to the extent of twenty (20) per cent thereof, until the entire deposit is refunded.

FLAT RATE

For all uses-----\$1.50 per month

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the Order in Decision

No. 24985 shall remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order herein.

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 3^d day of October, 1932.

Ch. Seaver
Leon Whipple
M. A. Carr
W. B. Harris
Fred G. Cleveland
Commissioners.