

Decision No. 11357

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application
of the COMPTON WATER AND LIGHTING
COMPANY for authority to sell land,
distribution system, machinery,
fixtures and rights and franchises,
and of the City of Compton to pur-
chase the same. }

Application No. 8400.

J. Lee Shepard for Compton Water
and Lighting Company.
A. C. Cooney, City Attorney for
City of Compton.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

The above entitled matter is a joint application of the Compton Water and Lighting Company, a public utility corporation, and the City of Compton, a municipal corporation, in which the company asks authorization to sell to the city its public utility water system which furnishes water in and in the vicinity of Compton, Los Angeles County, California.

A public hearing was held in this matter before Examiner Williams at Los Angeles, of which all interested parties were duly notified and given an opportunity to appear and be heard.

It appears from the testimony that the City of Compton at a recent special election, voted a bond issue of \$75,000.00, for the purpose of providing funds to purchase the water system of the Compton Water and Lighting Company and make necessary betterments

thereto. The agreed purchase price is \$21,800.00 plus all office and plant equipment and all betterments and additions made subsequent to January 1, 1922. Witnesses for seller and buyer testified that the total to be paid would approximate \$40,000.00.

The City of Compton agrees to take over and serve with water all the territory now served, or obligated to be served by the Compton Water and Lighting Company; also to assume all obligations, such as contracts and option and refund agreements, entered into prior to the date of transfer.

No one appeared to protest the granting of the application and it appears that the interests of the water users on this system will be better served if the transfer is made.

O R D E R

Joint application having been made by Compton Water and Lighting Company and the City of Compton for authority to transfer certain public utility property, the matter having been heard and being now ready for decision,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Compton Water and Lighting Company, be and it is hereby authorized to sell and convey to the City of Compton its entire water distributing system, plant and equipment used in the service of water to its consumers together with lands, etc., pertaining thereto, and more particularly described as follows:

PARCEL NO. 1: The west fifty (50) feet of Lot five (5) in Block two (2) of Wrights Addition to the City of Compton, as per map thereof recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, in Book 434, Page 377 of official records of said County, together with the pumping plant and all equipment and appurtenances pertaining to the operation thereof now located thereon.

PARCEL NO. 2: All of its water pipes, lines, connections, meters, service pipes and wells, whether located inside or outside of said city, together with all rights, privileges and franchises owned and used by it in carrying on of its business, subject, however, to certain contracts specifically described on pages 2, 3 and 4 of Exhibit "A" attached to and accompanying the application.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall be upon the following conditions and none other:

1. The consideration given for the transfer herein authorized shall not be urged before this Commission or any other public body as a finding of value of said property for rate fixing or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.
2. The authority herein granted shall apply only to such transfer as may have been made on or before March 1, 1923, and a certified copy of the instrument of conveyance shall be filed with the Commission by The Compton Water and Lighting Company within thirty (30) days from the date on which it is executed.
3. Within ten (10) days from the date on which The Compton Water and Lighting Company actually relinquishes control and possession of the property herein authorized to be transferred, it shall file with the Railroad Commission a certified statement indicating the date on which is relinquished such control and possession.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th
day of December, 1922.

H. B. Dunning
John Martin
Robert A. Lawrence

Commissioners.