Decision No. //402.



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application ) of WATSONVILLE WATER AND LIGHT ) COMPANY, a corporation, and CITY ) OF WATSONVILLE, a municipal cor- ) poration, for an order authorizing) sale of a water system.

Application No. 8505.

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H.C.Wyckoff, for Watsonville Water and Light Company.F.W.Atkinson and A.W.Sans, for City of Watsonville.

## OPINION

BY THE COMMISSION.

In this proceeding the Watsonville Water and Light Company, a public utility corporation furnishing water service in and in the vicinity of Watsonville, Santa Cruz County, joins with the City of Watsonville, a municipal corporation, in an application for authority to transfer its water system to the city.

A public hearing in this matter was held at San Francisco on December 21, 1922, before Examiner Eddy, of which all interested parties were notified and given an opportunity to appear and be heard.

The evidence shows that the applicants herein have agreed upon the terms of the proposed transfer and that at a recent special election the voters of Watsonville authorized the issuance of bonds for the purpose of purchasing this system and for making certain improvements therein. The consideration agreed upon is \$200,000, plus the cost of additions and betterments installed subsequent to June 1, 1922. The city expressly agrees to assume all existing obligations of the company relative to present and prospective users of water, whether within its corporate limits or without.

No protest was filed to the granting of this petition and the Commission is of the opinion that public convenience will be best served by giving the authorization sought.

## <u>ORDER</u>

Joint application having been made by the Watsonville Water and Light Company, a public utility corporation, for authority to sell, and the City of Watsonville, a municipal corporation, to purchase the certain water system now serving consumers in and in the vicinity of Watsonville, the matter having been heard and submitted for decision,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled application be and the same is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the authority herein granted shall apply only to that particular public utility property described in the application.
- 2. 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.
- 3. The authority herein granted shall apply only to such transfer as may have been made on or before June 30, 1923.
- 4. A certified copy of the instrument of conveyance shall be filed with this Commission by the Watsonville Water and Light Company within thirty (30) days from the date on which it is executed.
- 5. Within ten (10) days from the date on which the Watsonville Water and Light Company actually relinquishes control and possession of the property herein authorized to be transferred, it shall file with this Commission a certified

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statement indicating the date on which such control and possession was relinguished.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27

day of December, 1922.

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