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Decision No. 3252

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the application of	}	Application No. 2163.
A. Z. HOLMES and BLANCHE HOLMES to		
sell and of RALPH W. STUTZMAN to buy		
a water system.		

A. Z. Holmes and Ralph W. Stutzman  
for applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N.

Applicants seek an order authorizing the transfer of a small public utility water plant located on lot 73, Tract No. 1468, northwest of Lankershim, Los Angeles County, and serving about 10 to 20 patrons.

The plant is now owned and operated by Dr. A. Z. Holmes who lives in Los Angeles where he is engaged in the practice of his profession and was acquired by him about a year ago in connection with other property. The plant is too small to justify the employment of one to give a great deal of time to it. He wishes to convey the property to Mr. Stutzman at a valuation of \$1,000 in exchange for property in Los Angeles.

Mr. Stutzman, whose employment is also in Los Angeles, is moving with his family onto the adjoining lot where he or his family will be able to give attention to the plant. He expresses his willingness to assume the obligation of serving

the public, and appears, for the reasons above stated, to be better able to do so than the present owner. The transfer appearing to be for the public interest we make the following order:

O R D E R.

A. Z. HOLMES and wife having applied for authority to sell and Ralph W. Stutzman having applied for authority to purchase the pumping plant located upon lot 73, Tract No. 1468, near Lankershim, Los Angeles County, which plant consists of a 12 inch well, 4 inch cylinder pump, 4 horsepower R. & V. gas engine, 1½ H.P. Buckeye/<sup>Pump</sup>Jack with 10,000 gallon tank and a pipe line/<sup>through</sup> which water is distributed to about 20 services, and a public hearing having been held thereon and it appearing to be for the public interest that the said conveyance be authorized,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that A. Z. Holmes and Blanche Holmes be and they are hereby authorized to sell and Ralph W. Stutzman be and he is hereby authorized to purchase the plant in this order described, said property to be conveyed free of encumbrance by good and sufficient grant deed.

The authority hereby given is upon the following conditions:

1. Ralph W. Stutzman shall assume and discharge all of the obligations now resting by law upon A. Z. Holmes and Blanche Holmes to serve the public.

2. The authority hereby given to convey and acquire said property shall not be considered before this Commission or any other public authority or tribunal as representing for rate fixing or purposes other than the present application the value of said property.

3. The authority hereby given shall apply only

to such conveyance as may be executed on or before May 10, 1916.

4. Applicants shall report in writing to the Railroad Commission within twenty (20) days after the execution and delivery of deed the fact that deed has been executed and delivered with a copy thereof and the date on which it was delivered.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day  
of April, 1916.

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*H. H. Howard*

*W. G. Gordon*

*Edwin O. Egerton*

*Francis P. O'Brien*

Commissioners.