Decision No.5793-

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application of CATHERINE A. BROOKS. Owner of Laguna Heights Water System for an order fixing rates for water service in the unincorporated town of Laguna Beach, including Rogers' Addition to Laguna Beach and Brooks' resubdivision; also for authority to increase water rates in Laguna Heights. Arch Beach and Rockledge by the Sea, all in Orange County, California.

Application No. 3626.

G. H. Scott for certain consumers, J. Skidmore, for applicant.

By the Commission:-

#### OPINION

CATHERINE A. BROOKS, applicant herein, asks that just and reasonable rates be established to be charged by her of her consumers for water.

Public hearing was held before Examiner Encell at Laguna Beach.

Applicant supplies water for domestic use to the inhabitants of those portions of Orange County, known as Laguna
Heights, Arch Beach, Rockledge by the Sea and the unincorporated
town of Laguna Beach. A more detailed description of the districts
served and of applicant's plant is set out in Decision No. 3329.
In the Matter of the Application of Catherine A. Brooks, owner of
Laguna Heights Water System, for a certificate of public convenience
and necessity to serve water in the town of Laguna Beach, No. 3620.

The Rate Schedule now in effect follows:

Flat Rates -- -- -- \$1.00 per month
If paid in advance -- -- \$10.00 per year.

Measured Rates -- -- -- \$.10 per 100 cu. ft.
Minimum -- -- -- \$1.00 per month.

Applicant estimates that the annual expense of maintaining and operating the system will be \$1,550.00 for 1918 and that the suggested rates will produce, \$1,600.00. No interest on investment is asked at this time. The Engineers of our Hydraulic Division report that in their opinion this estimate is fair. It therefore, appears reasonable that the rate schedule requested by applicant, with some slight change in order that the expense be distributed more equitably among the consumers, be made effective/

## <u>order</u>

CATHERINE A. BROOKS, owner of the Laguna Heights Water System, having applied for an order fixing rates for water service, a public hearing having been held and the matter being now ready for decision.

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT THAT the rates and charges of Catherine A. Brooks, owner of Laguna Heights Water System, in so far as they differ from the rates and charges herein established are unjust and unreasonable and that the rates and charges herein established are just and reasonable and basing its order on the foregoing finding of fact.

IT IS HERREY ORDERED that Catherine A. Brooks file with this Commission the following schedule of rates, effective as of November, 1, 1918.

## Flat Rate Schedule

Minimum annual payment -- -- \$10.00 including not more than three month's service.

For each madditionel month -- -- \$ 1.00

If paid in advance for entire year -- \$15.00

#### Measured Rate Schedule

For each 100 cubic feet -- -- \$ .15

Minimum annual payment \$10.00

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file amended rules and regulations within twenty days of the date of this order.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26th day of September, 1918.

Commissioners