Decision No. 7272



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of )
Mary Josie Hynes for leave to in- )
crease rate for serving and supply- )
ing water for irrigation.

Application No. 5284.

M. J. McGarry for Applicant.

K. W. Falkmer for Consumers.

BRUNDIGE, Commissioner.

## <u>opinion</u>

Mary Josie Eynes, applicant herein, is the owner of a small water utility located at El Monte, near San Gabriel, in Los Angeles County, California. The pumping plant and well from which the supply is obtained, are located on a 32-acre tract of ground which applicant owns. Practically all of this land is leased to Japanese gardners. Water is supplied to these lessees and to other residents in the immediate vicinity, the total number of consumers being 18 for irrigation and 8 for domestic service.

In this proceeding applicant asks for authority to increase the rate for irrigation water charged consumers in the territory served by her. The present rates are \$2.00 per hour's operation of the pump for irrigation, and \$2.00 per month flat rate for domestic service.

A field investigation was made of the properties of applicant and the records covering maintenance and operation expenses and annual income were examined by a representative of the Commission's engineering department. A public hearing was held in this matter and all interested parties were given an opportunity to be heard. It appears from the testimony presented at the hearing that the rates at present charged by applicant for irrigation service are compensatory and remunerative, and that applicant is not entitled to an increased rate.

I therefore recommend the following order:

## ORDER

MARY JOSIE HYNES having made application to the Railroad Commission as entitled above, for authority to increase
rates for irrigation water to consumers in the territory served
by her, a field investigation having been made and public hearing held, and the Commission being fully apprised in the premises,

It is Hereby Found as a Fact, that the present rates charged by applicant for irrigation service are compensatory and remunerative,

And besing its order upon the foregoing finding of fact and the other statements of fact contained in the opinion which precedes this order,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the application of Mary Josie Hynes to increase rates for serving and supplying water

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for irrigation be, and the same is hereby denied.

The foregoing opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the opinion and order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

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