Decision No.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of H. N. Siegfried, as Receiver of Imperial Utilities Corporation, for authority to increase rates.

Application No. 6033.

BY THE COMMISSION.

PRELIMINARY ORDER

H. N. Siegfried as receiver of the Imperial Utilities Corporation, having applied to this Commission for authority to put into effect a temporary emergency surcharge pending the final action of this Commission upon the application herein,

And it appearing to the Commission that the cost of operating the Monterey Park system of applicant has been very

materially increased because of a water shorting and increased costs of 1800r and materials and that an emergency exists which justifies these increased expenditures, and that applicant is otherwise financially unable to meet these increased costs, and that this is a matter in which a temporary emergency surcharge should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that H. N. Siegfried as receiver of the Imperial Utilities Corporation be, and he is hereby author-

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ized to add to the total of each bill rendered a surcharge of twenty-five per cent (25%) of said total, on all bills rendered subsequent to August 24, 1920.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the above emergency surcharge is authorized upon the following conditions, and not otherwise:

- 1. That applicant herein shall keep a true and correct record of income and expenditures during the period the above established surcharge is in effect.
- 2. That applicant shall hold subject to return to his consumers, as subsequently directed, any surplus received by him which is produced by the surcharge established herein, over and above what would have been yielded by such rates as are established in the final order of the Commission herein.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23^{4} day of August, 1920.

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Commissioners.