

Decision No. 8448

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of )  
the DIAMOND RIDGE WATER COMPANY, a )  
corporation, for a raise in rates ) Application No. 5563.  
for furnishing and delivering water )  
to its consumers. )

John W. Dorsey and W. E. Cashman  
for Applicant.

B. D. Marx Greene for Diamond Ridge  
Water Users Association.

Frank F. Atkinson for Frank Walsh, et al.,  
Protestants.

LOVELAND, Commissioner.

OPINION ON REHEARING

On June 30, 1920, the Commission issued its Decision No. 7814 in the above entitled proceeding, establishing certain rates to be charged for water service by the Diamond Ridge Water Company. On July 17, 1920, petition for rehearing was filed by the Diamond Ridge Water Users Association, it being alleged that the rate established for lawn and garden irrigation was excessive. It was further alleged that protestants had not had proper opportunity to present their case, and that they desired a rehearing for the purpose of presenting testimony upon the question of the reasonableness of the rates for irrigation of lawns and gardens.

Thereupon the Commission set the matter for a rehearing. Further evidence was introduced with relation to rates and a stipulation was entered into whereby the company agreed to furnish domestic

service at the rate of \$1.50 per month with a charge of \$3.00 per month for service to the hotel at Diamond Springs, these rates to remain in effect pending final determination by the Commission in this matter.

From the evidence submitted it appears equitable that a reduction should be made in the rate formerly established for lawn and garden irrigation, and further, that a rate should be fixed for service to the hotel at Diamond Springs. By reason of such modifications the form of rate schedule authorized in the Commission's original decision herein would be somewhat changed, and the schedule set out in the following order will therefore supersede the schedule set out in Decision No. 7814. The opinion which precedes that order, however, will stand approved.

Taking all of the above matters into consideration, I recommend the following form of order:

### O R D E R

DIAMOND RIDGE WATER COMPANY having applied to the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing it to increase its rates, public hearings having been held, and the Commission being fully apprised in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT, that the present rate schedule of the Diamond Ridge Water Company, insofar as it differs from the rate schedule herein set out, is unjust and unreasonable, and that the rates herein established are just and reasonable rates to be charged by said company for water;

And basing its order upon the foregoing finding of fact, and the other statements of fact contained in the opinion which precedes this order, and in the opinion of the Commission in Decision No. 7841;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that Diamond Ridge Water Company  
be, and it is hereby authorized and directed to file with this Commission within twenty (20) days from the date of this order, and thereafter charge the following rates:

FOR DOMESTIC USE (Flat Rate):

For each residence, store, etc.,-----\$1.50 per month

Sprinkling or irrigation of lawns, shrubbery,  
gardens, etc., up to and including 2500  
sq.ft. per month,-----3¢ per 100 sq.ft.

In excess of 2500 sq.ft. per month,-----1¢ per 100 sq.ft.

FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES (Measured Rate):

Per miner's inch day (24 hours)-----\$ .30

(One miner's inch equals a flow of one  
fortieth of a cubic foot per second.)

FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES (Flat Rate):

California Door Company-----\$75.00 per month.

Caldor Railroad Company----- 25.00 per month.

FOR HOTEL AT DIAMOND SPRINGS (Flat Rate)----- 3.00 per month.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, that this order of the  
Commission shall supersede the Order of the Commission (Decision No.  
7814), dated June 30, 1920, in the above entitled proceeding, said  
former order being hereby rescinded and set aside, the opinion which  
precedes said order, however, to stand approved.

The foregoing Opinion on Rehearing and Order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad  
Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20<sup>th</sup> day  
of December, 1920.

E. A. Edgerly  
H. J. Loveland  
H. H. B. ...  
W. W. ...  
COMMISSIONER