

Decision No. 25940

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application  
of Sonoma Water & Irrigation Co.,  
for adjustment of rates in and  
adjacent to the City of Sonoma,  
California, fire hydrants, flush  
tanks and other municipal uses.

Application No. 18491.

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L. F. Cowan, for Applicant.

A. R. Grinstead, for City of Sonoma.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This proceeding of the Sonoma Water and Irrigation Company, a corporation, asks the Commission to establish fire hydrant and flush tank rates for service in the City of Sonoma, Sonoma County. The rate for hydrants requested is an annual charge of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) for all hydrants now in use with an additional charge for each hydrant hereafter installed ranging from one dollar (\$1.00) to two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per month. A rate of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per month for sewer flush tanks is also requested.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Satterwhite at Sonoma, Sonoma County, California.

In Decision No. 19616, decided the seventeenth day of April, 1928, the Commission established a rate of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per month for each fire hydrant owned and installed by the City of Sonoma and two dollars (\$2.00) per month

for each hydrant owned and installed by the utility. However, on the sixteenth day of May, 1929, in Decision No. 21110 the Commission reduced the above rates for fire hydrants to fifty cents (50¢) each per month until such time as the utility installed proper and adequate mains and provided proper working pressure for fire-fighting purposes. The necessary improvements to pipe mains, water supply and pressures have been made by the utility and accepted as satisfactory by the Commission. The present application requests an increased rate for fire hydrants over that heretofore established in the above mentioned Decision No. 19616. However, on the ninth day of May, 1933, Sonoma Water and Irrigation Company filed with this Commission for its approval a rate for fire hydrants and sewer flush tanks as follows:

FIRE HYDRANTS

Owned and installed by the City of Sonoma, as many hydrants as they may desire:

Annual rate per year, including six flush tanks-----\$600.00

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The company asks that this rate for fire hydrants and sewer flush tanks be accepted for filing by the Commission. The request as filed on the ninth day of May, 1933, by Sonoma Water and Irrigation Company, appearing to be fair and reasonable, will be established in the following Order.

ORDER

Application having been made as above entitled, a public hearing having been held thereon and the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission being now fully advised in the

premises, and other good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following schedule of rates be and it is hereby ordered effective on and after the first day of January, 1934, for fire hydrant and sewer flushing service rendered by the Sonoma Water and Irrigation Company, a corporation, in the City of Sonoma.

FIRE HYDRANTS

For any and all fire hydrants installed by City of Sonoma:

Annual rate per year, including six (6) sewer flush tanks--\$600

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that on and after the first day of June, 1933, to and including the thirty-first day of December, 1933, the charges for all fire hydrants in the City of Sonoma, including six (6) sewer flush tanks, shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month.

For all other purposes the effective date of this Order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1933.

W. S. Looney  
Leon Anderson  
W. J. Linn  
W. B. Harris  
W. H. ...  
Commissioners.