Decision No. 26215

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of EARL DIMMITT and BERTHA V. DIMMITT, for an order, suthorization, permission or certificate to furnish water for domestic purposes on certain lands.

Application No. 18878.

Ardis & Ardis, by Haygood Ardis, for Applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>o p i n i o n</u>

In the above entitled application Earl Dimmitt and Bertha V. Dimmitt ask the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a public utility water system in a tract described as part of Lots 11 and 12 of, the I. Heyman Tract in Rancho San Antonio, Los Angeles County, and request that a schedule of rates be established for the service rendered.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Kennedy at Los Angeles.

At the hearing an amendment to the application was filed asking that certain additional land containing approximately sixteen acres in the same tract be included under this certificate.

The evidence shows that applicants desire to supply water to the above named tracts near Bell, Los Angeles County, containing approximately thirty-three and one-half acres of land subdivided by themselves and others. In the past this land has been

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used for farming purposes and has now been subdivided into onequarter-acre lots with a few smaller lots for business located on the main street. The water supply is obtained from a deep well and pumped into a storage tank thirty-one feet in height. From this tank water is distributed through four-inch mains to the points of use. The pipes are installed on easements reserved for that purpose which eliminates the necessity of securing a county franchise to construct and maintain a pipe system in the dedicated streets and alleys.

At the present time a large majority of the lots has been sold and purchasers are taking possession and demanding water service, which applicants propose to supply at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per month for each onequarter-acre lot, with the exception of that property included in the amended application, for which, by the terms of an agreement between applicants and the owners, rates ranging from one dollar (\$1.00) to one dollar and fifty conts (\$1.50) for each one-quarter acre or lass, according to the location of the property, are provided. It is obvious that such rates would be discriminative and unfair. The rates herein established will apply to all consumers regardless of the location of the property served and will include a comparable meter rate.

As no one appeared in protest against this application and applicants appear to be responsible persons, financially able to carry on the operation of the utility business, the request should be granted.

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Earl Dimmitt and Bertha V. Dimmitt having made applica-

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

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require that Earl Dimmitt and Bertha V. Dimmitt operate a water system for the purpose of supplying domestic and irrigation water to those parcels of land designated as a subdivision of a portion of Lots 11 and 12 of the I. Heyman Tract in Rancho San Antonio, Los Angeles County, as more particularly set forth in the original application and the amendment thereto.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Earl Dimmitt and Bertha V. Dimmitt be and they are hereby authorized and directed to file with this Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, the following schedule of rates to be charged for all service rendered on said tracts subsequent to the <u>31st</u> day of <u>August</u>, 1933.

MONTELY FLAT RATES

For each residence, including lot of 1/4 acre or less-----\$1.25 For each additional 1/4 acre or less------ 1.00 For each additional house on one lot when occupied by separate families----- .50

METER RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges:

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Each of the foregoing "Monthly Minimum Charges" will entitle the consumer to the quantity of water which that monthly minimum charge will purchase at the following "Monthly Quantity Rates."

Monthly Quantity Rates:

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Earl Dimmitt and Berthe V. Dimmitt be and they are hereby directed to file with this Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, rules and regulations governing relations with their consumers, said rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance for filing by this Commission.

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 _____ day lugust of _, 1933**.**

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Commissioners.