

Decision No. 27169

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
CHARLES E. GRAHAM operating under the
title and designation of JUNCTION
CITY WATER WORKS for authority to
establish rates and other charges for
service.

Application No. 19409.

Charles H. Graham, in propria persona.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding, Charles H. Graham, doing business under the fictitious firm name and style of Junction City Water Works, applies for authority to establish meter rates.

A public hearing was held in this matter before Examiner MacKall at Hayward.

The evidence shows that in 1926 Charles H. Graham acquired the water system installed to supply three subdivisions known as East Fourteenth Street Junction City Tract, East Fourteenth Street Terrace Tract, and East Fourteenth Street Tract, all situated in unincorporated territory lying between the cities of San Leandro and Hayward, in Alameda County. The number of consumers served is now fifty-four. Water is obtained from two 10-inch wells, ninety-eight feet deep, from which water is pumped into a 12,000-gallon tank. An auxiliary storage tank of 20,000 gallons at a lower level is used to maintain pressure for this territory. The distribution system consists of about

with the Railroad Commission, within twenty (20) days from the date of this Order, the following rates for water delivered to his consumers in East Fourteenth Street Junction City Tract, East Fourteenth Street Terrace Tract and East Fourteenth Street Tract in the unincorporated territory between the cities of San Leandro and Hayward in Eden Township, Alameda County, California, said rates to become effective for all service rendered subsequent to the 1st day of August, 1934:

METER RATES

Minimum Monthly Charges:

For 5/8-inch meter-----	\$2.00
For 3/4-inch meter-----	3.00
For 1-inch meter-----	4.00
For 1 1/2-inch meter-----	5.00
For 2-inch meter-----	8.00

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

Monthly Quantity Rates:

0 to 600 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	\$0.33-1/3
600 to 1,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.30
1,000 to 5,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.25
Over 5,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.20

A meter may be installed on any service at the option of either consumer or utility.

FLAT RATE

For all use of water, per month-----\$2.00

For all other purposes, the effective date of this Order

10,000 feet of pipe mains. The entire water works is estimated to have cost \$8,966 upon an historical basis. The evidence shows that the reasonable and proper annual operating costs amount to \$500, including \$123 for depreciation, computed by the sinking fund method at five per cent. The revenues receivable for 1933 were \$1,200.

At present applicant has only a flat rate charge of \$2.00 per month for all uses. He has been called upon recently to serve several stores, auto camps and other commercial enterprises including a truck garden and, because of the variation in water use of these different classes of demand, he wishes to install meters and requests the Commission to establish a schedule of charges for measured service. No protests were made by any of the consumers and the request, being reasonable and necessary in the interests of water conservation and to prevent unfair discrimination in water charges, will be granted. The cost of installing, reading and repairing meters will add somewhat to the capital investment and operating expenses which will be given due consideration in view of the fact that under present conditions applicant is earning a very favorable net return upon his investment.

O R D E R

Application having been made to this Commission 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,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Charles H. Graham, doing business under the fictitious firm name and style of Junction City Water Works, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to file

shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day
of June, 1934.

C. L. Seaman
Leon Whiteley

M. J. Lee

Commissioners.