

Decision No. 28893

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
GENEVIEVE A. PURDUM, Managing Trustee
for

GENEVIEVE A. PURDUM,
VAN BUREN E. PURDUM,
HARRY E. MILLER,
LOUISE J. MILLER,
WILLIAM G. CROOK,
MARY E. CROOK,
FRED LINNE,
EMMA LINNE,

Owners

Application No. 20506

Operating as a co-partnership, hereby makes application for a franchise of 25 years, to be granted covering present water service business, now in operation, collection of reasonable service payments, and enforce the payment of same by discontinuation of said service.

Harry E. Miller, for applicants.

C.C. Matheny, for certain interested consumers.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee for herself and seven others owning and operating as a co-partnership a small water system in Los Angeles County near Lynwood, serving two subdivisions known as Nos. 8242 and 6575, asks for a certificate of public con-

venience and necessity and for the establishment of a schedule of rates to be charged for the service rendered.

A public hearing was held at Los Angeles before Examiner McCaffrey.

The testimony shows that this water system was installed about 1930 by a Mr. Williams who, up to about one year ago, supplied water to the residents of the tracts free of charge. As a result of financial reverses he was unable to continue free service and attempted to dispose of the property. Applicants herein own substantial homes in the tracts and, in order to protect their interests, purchased the water system for eight hundred dollars (\$800) on December 18, 1935. The actual historical cost of the water plant, however, was eight thousand four hundred forty-four dollars (\$8,444).

The streets and alleys in the above two tracts have not been dedicated to the public and therefore no county franchise or other permit granting the right to lay and maintain pipe lines in the streets, alleys and roadways will be required at this time.

Applicants have only twenty-six consumers and do not request a full return upon the capital invested in the properties. The rates requested are fair and reasonable and received favorable comment by the few consumers present and will be approved as set out in the Order following. Other requests pertaining to collections, billing, etc., are matters which will be provided for through the standard rules and regulations which will be ordered filed and placed into effect.

O R D E R

Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee for a co-partnership consisting of herself and seven others, having made application

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

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require and will require that Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee for the said co-partnership, operate and maintain a water system for the purpose of supplying water for domestic and irrigation purposes within that certain area described as Tracts Nos. 8242 and 6575, Los Angeles County, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee for said co-partnership, subject to the following conditions:

1. Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee, shall file with the Railroad Commission of the State of California, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, the following schedule of rates to be charged for all water delivered to consumers in the above named tracts in Los Angeles County, said rates to become effective as of the date of this Order:

FLAT RATES

For each house located on a lot not to exceed 50 feet in width-----	\$1.50
For each additional lot irrigated, per 100 square feet-----	.03
For each additional house on one lot, in which owner is responsible for entire bill, with one connection-----	1.00
For each additional house on one lot with separate connection-----	1.50

METER RATES

Meters may be installed at the option of the utility or the consumer. If installed by the utility, it must bear all cost and expense of installation. If installed at the option of the consumer, he must pay the entire cost of installation as a deposit, which amount shall be refunded by the utility at the rate of fifty per cent (50%) of the water bill until the entire amount has been refunded. Monthly bills shall be rendered showing the amount of the bill, the refund, and balance due.

Monthly Minimum Charges:

5/8 x 3/4-inch meter-----	\$ 1.50
3/4-inch meter-----	2.00
1-inch meter-----	3.00
1 1/2-inch meter-----	5.00
2-inch meter-----	8.00
4-inch meter-----	10.00

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:

First	1,000 cubic feet, or less-----	\$ 1.50
Next	2,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.12
All over	3,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.08

- Genevieve A. Purdum, as Managing Trustee, shall file with the Railroad Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, rules and regulations governing relations with the consumers, said rules and regulations to become effective upon their acceptance for filing by the Railroad 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 10th day of

June, 1936.

M B Harris
Leon Whidell
M A Curran
Walter Moore
Walter Moore
Commissioners.