

Decision No. 29399

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
G. P. Wilkerson Water Company for
permit to operate pumping plants and
to sell water for domestic use and
for irrigation.

Application No. 20304

Eldred E. Wolford, for Applicant and
Martin and Coold Water Co.
Floyd E. Pondell, for Union Mutual
Water Company, Protestant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application, G. P. Wilkerson asks for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to supply domestic and irrigation water to certain lands near and adjoining the City of El Monte in Los Angeles County. A schedule of rates and two contracts are submitted for approval.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner W. R. Williams at Los Angeles.

The evidence shows that G. P. Wilkerson has entered into two agreements, one with the owner of Tract No. 11053 and the other with the owner of the Elrovia Tract, both in Los Angeles County, wherein he has acquired the water systems supplying these two properties and has agreed to provide both areas with an adequate water supply for domestic and irrigation purposes. Mr. Wilkerson also desires to furnish similar water service in certain adjacent territory more

particularly designated on the map marked Exhibit "A" attached to the application herein. A protest was made by Union Mutual Water Company against the authorization of service in the westerly one-half of Lot No. 13 of the E. J. Baldwin subdivision, all of which is now being supplied with water by said mutual company. Applicant agreed to exclude this particular territory and was permitted to amend his application accordingly and correct the service area map filed as Exhibit "A" attached to the application.

The water supply is obtained from deep wells which provide amply for present needs and for a considerable amount of future development. This reserve of water is essential as the service area is building up very rapidly, there being already forty-eight consumers receiving water. More water can be obtained when necessary from additional wells. Pipe lines are located in easements reserved for water works purposes and for this reason no county franchise is required for pipe line installation and maintenance at present.

No protests were made against the granting of this application as amended and, since there is no other water service available in the territory under consideration, the certificate will be granted. The rates proposed are reasonable under the circumstances for the classes of demand covered and compare most favorably with the charges made for such water service by other public utilities operating under similar circumstances and conditions in the general vicinity. Subject to some minor modifications to conform to the requirements and practices of this Commission, the proposed schedule of rates will be approved.

The two agreements referred to above by which applicant came into possession of these water properties and agreed to provide

water service throughout the areas designated therein do not interfere with the proper operation of the properties as a public utility and do not require approval by this Commission at this time.

O R D E R

Application having been filed with this Commission as above entitled, 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 G. P. Wilkerson, operating under the fictitious firm name and style of G. P. Wilkerson Water Company, operate a water system for the purpose of supplying water for domestic and irrigation purposes in those parcels of land near El Monte in the County of Los Angeles, as such parcels are more particularly described in the application herein and delineated upon the corrected map attached thereto, which are hereby made a part of this Order by reference, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to said G. P. Wilkerson to operate a water system under the fictitious firm name and style of G. P. Wilkerson Water Company in those parcels of land as set forth above, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that G. P. Wilkerson be and he is 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 effective for all water service rendered subsequent to the 31st day of December, 1936:

DOMESTIC USE

MONTHLY FLAT RATES

Each lot of one-half acre or less with or without a residence where service connection does not exceed one inch in diameter-----	\$2.00
Each additional one-fourth acre or less-----	.75
Each additional residence on one lot-----	1.00
Extra service connection not exceeding one inch in diameter on any lot-----	.50

METER RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges:

5/8 x 3/4-inch meter-----	\$1.00
3/4-inch meter-----	1.50
1-inch meter-----	2.00
1½-inch meter-----	3.00
2-inch meter-----	5.00
3-inch meter-----	8.00

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-----	\$1.00
Next 1,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.07½
All over 2,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----	.05

IRRIGATION USE

Direct flow delivery by run of pump, one miner's inch (9 gallons per minute) per hour-----	\$0.02
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METER RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges:

1-inch meter-----	\$2.00
1½-inch meter-----	3.00
2-inch meter-----	5.00
3-inch meter-----	8.00
4-inch meter-----	15.00

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:

From 0 to 10,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet-----\$0.05
All over 10,000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet----- .03

FIRE HYDRANTS

Monthly Flat Rate:

For each fire hydrant-----\$1.50

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that G. P. Wilkerson be and he is hereby directed to file with this Commission, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, rules and regulations governing relations with his 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 21st day of December, 1936.

M. B. Lewis
Leon Whittell
Walter Mason

Commissioners.