

Decision No. 23412

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen (his wife), operating under the fictitious name and style of "Pioneer Water Company" for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a public utility water system in San Bernardino County, and to establish rates for water service.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 23412

Barton F. McGlothlen, for Applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, operating under the fictitious firm name and style of Pioneer Water Company, ask the Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to supply water in a territory comprising 80 acres of land located two miles easterly of the City of San Bernardino. Request also is made for the establishment of rates.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner E. L. Clark in San Bernardino.

Applicants owned and subdivided a parcel of land containing 36 acres, now designated as Tract No. 2584, San Bernardino County, and put this property on the market in April of 1939. A complete water system was installed in the tract and thereafter service was extended from time to time to several adjacent property owners, and also to a small area of subdivided lands located at the northeast corner of Base Line Avenue and Glasgow Street. The territory outside

of the original Tract No. 2584 amounts to some 25 acres.

The land-owners in one small section of the proposed service area are entitled to purchase shares of stock in the Block 52 Mutual Water Company. Certain of these land-owners are already shareholders of this Mutual Company; however, many of them are also consumers of the system operated by applicants. Other residents in this section also will require domestic service in the near future. There were no protests against the inclusion of any of the lands within the area for which a certificate is requested herein, nor were any protests entered against the granting of this application.

The water supply is obtained from two 12-inch wells about 200 feet in depth. The original cost of the water system at present installed is \$10,260. There are now 46 active consumers with 5 new homes under construction. The distribution system consists of 8,600 feet of mains varying from 2-1/2 inches to 8 inches in diameter. Pipe lines are located upon easements reserved prior to acceptance of the tract maps by the County of San Bernardino. Future pipe lines will be laid according to rules and regulations of the County Highway Department which requires a permit for the laying of all pipes within county rights of way.

Applicants submitted for approval a schedule of rates conforming in general with the representations made to prospective lot purchasers. The flat rates are the same as now charged existing water users. The meter rate as proposed is somewhat out of line with the flat rate charges and will be slightly modified to conform with standard practice under such conditions. Otherwise, the proposed rates are just and reasonable and will be approved as modified.

O R D E R

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

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA hereby declares that public convenience and necessity require the operation of a water system by Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, under the fictitious firm name and style of Pioneer Water Company within the area delineated on Exhibit No. 1 which is hereby made a part of this Order by reference and more particularly described as follows:

"Unincorporated territory bounded on the south by Base Line Avenue; on the east by Del Rosa Avenue; on the north by Pacific Street and on the west by Glasgow Street, San Bernardino County, comprising 80 acres, more or less."

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, to operate a public utility water system for the sale and distribution of water within the territory hereinabove described.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, operating under the fictitious firm name and style of Pioneer Water Company, 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 water service rendered to their consumers subsequent to the 31st day of July, 1940:

FLAT RATES

	<u>Per Month</u>
Single residence on one lot with not to exceed 7,400 sq. ft. irrigable area.....	\$1.25
For each additional residence on one lot.....	1.00
For each additional 100 sq. ft. of area irrigated.....	.015

METERED RATES

Monthly Minimum Charges

5/8 x 3/4 inch meter.....	\$1.25
3/4 inch meter.....	1.50
1 inch meter.....	2.50
1-1/2 inch meter.....	3.00
2 inch meter.....	5.00
3 inch meter.....	10.00
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

First 700 cubic feet or less.....	\$1.25
Next 800 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet..	.15
All over 1,500 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet..	.10

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

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED as follows:

1. That within sixty (60) days from the date of this Order, Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, shall file with this Commission an affidavit to the effect that they will never claim, before this Commission or any other public body, an amount for the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted herein in excess of the actual cost of acquiring it.
2. That within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, be and they are hereby directed to submit to this Commission for its approval four sets of rules and regulations governing relations with their consumers, each set of which shall contain a suitable map or sketch, drawn to an indicated scale upon a sheet

8½" x 11" in size, delineating thereupon in distinctive markings the boundaries of the authorized service area hereinabove described, and the location thereof with reference to the surrounding territory, provided, further, however, that such map or sketch shall not thereby be considered by this Commission or any other public body as a final or conclusive determination or establishment of the dedicated area of service, or any portion thereof.

3. That Barton F. McGlothlen and Mary Jane McGlothlen, his wife, shall file with this Commission, within sixty (60) days from the date of this Order, four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale of not less than 600 feet to the inch, upon which shall be delineated by appropriate markings the various lots in the territory for which the certificate is granted herein; this map should be reasonably accurate, show the course and date thereof, and sufficient data to determine clearly and definitely the location of the various properties comprising the entire utility area of service.

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 9th day of July, 1940.

Ray L. Riley
James D. Dwyer
Robert D. Dwyer
John J. Dwyer
Justus J. Casner
COMMISSIONERS.