

Decision No. 35710

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of JOHN L. FLEMING, owning and operating a public water distribution system under the name and style of WAWONA PARK WATER COMPANY; and THE INCORPORATED CITY OF LYNWOOD, CALIFORNIA, as purchaser of such water system;
For permission of the owner to sell to the purchaser, and the purchaser to operate said water distribution system, beginning at 8:00 o'clock a.m. August 1, 1942.

ORIGINAL

Application
No. 25177

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

John L. Fleming, owning and operating a public utility water system under the name and style of Wawona Park Water Company, asks permission to sell to the City of Lynwood said water system, excepting therefrom the well and tank and motor and pumping equipment, together with the lot upon which said well is located.

The distribution system is partially within and partially without the Cities of South Gate and Lynwood. The water system supplies water to about 140 consumers. It is of record that the well and pumping facilities of the Wawona Park Water Company are inadequate to meet the consumers' demands during the summer months.

The City of Lynwood has agreed to purchase the Wawona Park Water Company distribution system at a cost of \$1,000 and

to furnish water to the company's consumers from its own municipal water supply. The City of Lynwood agrees to supply water to all of the consumers of Wawona Park Water Company as soon as it becomes the owner of the distribution system.

Applicants' petition shows that Wawona Park Water Company holds no advances for construction and no deposits guaranteeing payment of bills. It has been charging its customers a flat rate of \$1.50 per month per residence. The City of Lynwood likewise charges a flat rate of \$1.50 per month per residence, but allows a 25¢ discount if the bill is paid by the twentieth of each month. The City of Lynwood also has a meter rate for water service which is less than the filed meter rate of Wawona Park Water Company.

The Commission has considered applicants' request and is of the opinion that this is not a matter on which a hearing is necessary and that this application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that John L. Fleming, owning and operating a public utility water system under the name and style of Wawona Park Water Company, be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell, on or before November 1, 1942, his water distribution system to the City of Lynwood, said sale to be made in accordance with the contract filed in this proceeding as Exhibit B.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that said John L. Fleming shall, within thirty (30) days after the sale of said water distribution system, file with the Commission a statement showing the date when the City of Lynwood began to operate

said distribution system.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall become effective upon the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of August, 1942.

Justus D. Casner

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Francis R. Havens

Richard [Signature]

Commissioners