

Decision No. 37868

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application for sale of the JENNER WATER SYSTEM, Sonoma County, State of California, to Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife.

Application No. 26568

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application, Carlotta G. Crawford, executrix of the Estate of E. H. Crawford, owning a public utility water system at Jenner, Sonoma County, asks permission of the Commission to sell the property to Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, who intend to operate it under the firm name and style of the "Jenner Water System." The Superior Court of Sonoma County has authorized Carlotta G. Crawford, as executrix of the Estate, and with the approval of the Commission, to transfer the property.

The sale price of the water system, together with certain real and personal property, is \$22,500. The fixed capital in the water system is reported at \$3,250, and the portion of the sale price applicable to it is \$1,500. The operating revenues for the year 1943 were \$659, and the operating expenses for the same period were \$635.

There are 45 consumers receiving service, all on a flat rate basis. As a part of the consideration for said real and personal property and said water system, the applicants, Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, have agreed to make, execute and deliver to Carlotta G. Crawford, their joint promissory note for the sum of \$12,500, dated December 18, 1944, payable in annual installments of \$1,000 each, with interest at 5% per annum, payable annually. Said promissory

note is to be secured by a first deed of trust upon the water system and real property being purchased by said applicants.

O R D E R

The Commission having considered applicants' requests and being of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary, and that the application should be granted, subject to the provisions of this Order, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Carlotta G. Crawford, executrix of the Estate of E. H. Crawford, may, after the effective date hereof, and on or before July 31, 1945, transfer and convey to Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, that certain public utility water system used in supplying domestic service to consumers in and in the vicinity of Jenner, Sonoma County, said property being more particularly described in the application.
2. Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, may, after the effective date hereof, and on or before July 31, 1945, issue a promissory note for the sum of \$12,500 in part payment for said properties and execute a deed of trust to secure the payment of said note. Said note and said deed of trust to be in the same form as the note and deed of trust on file in this application.
3. If Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, acquire said properties, they are hereby directed to file, on or before July 31, 1945, four copies of rates for water service furnished by this system in and in the vicinity of Jenner, Sonoma County, which rates shall not be higher, in any particular, than the applicable rates now on file.
4. If Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, acquire said properties, they are hereby directed to file, on or before July 31, 1945, four sets of rules and regulations applicable in and in the vicinity of Jenner, Sonoma County, California, each set of which shall contain a map or sketch drawn to an indicated scale, on sheets approximately 8½ x 11 inches in size, delineating thereupon in distinctive markings the boundaries of the present service area and the location thereof with reference to the surrounding territory; it being understood, however, that the filing of such a sketch shall not be considered as conclusive determination of the area dedicated.
5. If Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, acquire said properties, they are hereby directed to file, on or before July 31, 1945, four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale of not less than 600 feet to the inch, delineating the area served in and in the vicinity of Jenner,

Sonoma County, California, and its location with reference to the source of supply and the surrounding territory. Such a map shall show the source and date thereof, and include data to determine clearly the location of the various properties comprising the service area.

- 6. The authority herein granted will become effective when Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, or either of them, have paid the minimum fee prescribed in Section 57 of the Public Utilities Act, which fee is Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars; and
- 7. That within thirty (30) days after the execution of the deed of trust and note under the authority herein granted, Joseph A. West and Elsie A. West, his wife, or either of them, shall file a copy of each with the Railroad Commission.
- 8. The action taken herein shall not be construed as a finding of value for any purpose other than the proceeding herein involved.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of May, 1945.

David Gudwin
Justice F. Cramer
Richard Laska
Francis C. ...
Scott Russell
 Commissioners.

