

Decision No. 41665

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application	)	
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of	)	
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REDWOOD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.,	)	
and	:	
COASTAIR ELECTRONICS,	)	
both of Eureka, California	:	Application
	)	No. 29281
for authority to transfer that por-	:	
tion of the property of Redwood	)	
Broadcasting Company, Inc. designated	:	
as Fields Landing Water System from	)	
the said corporation to Coastair	:	
Electronics.	)	
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O P I N I O N

This is an application for an order of the Public Utilities Commission authorizing Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. to transfer to Coastair Electronics the properties comprising the Fields Landing Water System, located near Eureka, Humboldt County, California.

It appears that heretofore Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. acquired certain properties as a site for a frequency modulation transmitting station and tower and with them, a small public utility water system. (Decision No. 39376, dated September 3, 1946.) Such system includes springs, a concrete settling basin and sump, a 37,000-gallon redwood stave tank, about 800 feet of transmission mains and a distribution system consisting of about 13,000 feet of mains varying from one to six inches in diameter and a few meters. The original cost of the properties

was estimated by one of the Commission's engineers at \$14,558.65 as of January 31, 1947, with a reserve requirement of \$911.63. The 1947 annual report of the operation of the system shows service to approximately 120 consumers and operating revenues of \$3,805.60 with net operating revenues of \$43.18.

Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. now desires to dispose of its utility properties and operations and accordingly has made arrangements to sell the same, for the sum of \$14,734.81, to Coastair Electronics.

The application shows that Coastair Electronics is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of California on or about December 20, 1944, with an authorized capital stock of 10,000 shares of the par value of \$10 each. Although it has not yet engaged in business it has issued, in November, 1947, 1,400 shares of stock, at par, to George E. Thomson pursuant to authority granted by the Commissioner of Corporations on July 9, 1946. Its balance sheet as of December 1, 1947, is reported as follows:

<u>Assets</u>	
Cash in bank	\$ 8,000.00
Advance to Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc.	<u>6,734.81</u>
Total	<u>\$14,734.81</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Capital stock	\$14,000.00
Surplus	<u>734.81</u>
Total	<u>\$14,734.81</u>

Coastair Electronics heretofore has advanced \$6,734.81 of the purchase price to Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. If the transfer of the properties is authorized it will pay the

remainder of such price in cash. We are advised that Coastair Electronics intends, at this time at least, to confine its activities to the operation of the water system. It reports that it is not affiliated with Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc.

O R D E R

The Public Utilities Commission having considered the above entitled matter and being of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted, as herein provided,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc., after the effective date hereof and on or before August 31, 1948, may transfer its public utility water system, known as the Fields Landing Water System, to Coastair Electronics.
2. On or before the date of actual transfer of said system, Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. shall refund all deposits which consumers are entitled to have refunded and shall file with the Commission a written statement showing the disposition of any such deposits or showing that no deposits existed. It shall file in addition, within ten (10) days after such transfer, a written statement indicating the date upon which it relinquished control and possession of said water system.
3. Upon compliance with this order, Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc. shall be relieved of all public utility obligations in connection with said system.

4. Coastair Electronics, upon acquiring said water system, shall furnish and supply water service to the public under and in accordance with the rates, rules and regulations now on file with the Commission in the name of Redwood Broadcasting Company, Inc., and shall adopt as its own said rates, rules and regulations.

5. The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

6. The authority herein granted will become effective twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1948.

*R. J. [Signature]*  
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Commissioners

