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Decision No. 43710

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
NATOMAS WATER COMPANY for an order
authorizing Applicant to execute a
contract with the United States
providing for the temporary reloca-
tion of utility property.

Application No. 30898

OPINION AND ORDER

Natomas Water Company, a corporation, engaged in the business of diverting, distributing, and selling water for domestic, industrial, and agricultural purposes as a public utility in El Dorado and Sacramento Counties, asks the Commission for authority to enter into a contract with the United States of America providing for the temporary relocation of a portion of the company's main canal.

The canal relocation is necessary in order that the United States can begin construction of the Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam of its Folsom Dam project on the American River. The relocation will create a by-pass consisting of a six-foot by six-foot six-inch tunnel approximately 1,350 feet long through a rocky hill under the proposed dam site and about 950 feet of open ditch. The tunnel and ditch will replace approximately the same number of feet of the company's main canal.

The construction, connection, and operation of this relocated section will not affect any of the public utility services being supplied by Natomas Water Company.

The contract, among other things, provides that all costs of rights of way, construction, operation, and maintenance of this by-pass tunnel and canal will be borne by the United States.

An investigation having been made, and it appearing that this
✓ proposed relocation of the company's main canal will not adversely

affect the public utility operations of applicant and that the proposal is in the public interest, and it further appearing that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. That Natomas Water Company, a corporation, be and it is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the United States of America, providing for the relocation of a portion of its main canal, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit B attached to the application herein which said exhibit is hereby made a part of this Order by reference.
2. That Natomas Water Company, a corporation, shall file with this Commission two certified copies of the contract as finally consummated within thirty (30) days thereafter.
3. Natomas Water Company, a corporation, shall notify this Commission of the date of termination of said contract within thirty (30) days thereof.

In view of the fact that the temporary relocation of the section of main canal hereinabove referred to must be completed before construction can be started on the auxiliary dam, and it being a matter of extreme urgency in the public interest to commence construction operations on the Folsom Dam project as soon as possible, the authority herein granted will become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of

January, 1950.

R. T. Anderson
James F. Cadden
Robert H. Fennell
Harold A. Kula
Benjamin D. Potter
 Commissioners.