

Decision No. 45235**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Dominguez Water Corporation for an order granting it authority to serve water to Shell Oil Company - Dominguez Refinery under special contract and for an order authorizing charging a special rate for such water.

Application No. 32031

OPINION AND ORDER

Dominguez Water Corporation, a corporation, by the above-entitled application, filed January 11, 1951, seeks authority to carry out the terms and conditions of a special contract dated November 29, 1950, with Shell Oil Company for the furnishing of water at a special rate to its Dominguez Refinery, Los Angeles County.

Applicant alleges that water service has heretofore been available to Shell Oil Company at its Dominguez Refinery in accordance with its regularly filed industrial service rate schedules which were established by the Commission in its Decision No. 40672, dated August 26, 1947. However, because of the large quantities of water utilized by the oil company in its refinery, steps were taken by the oil company to install its own water production facilities, and to take water from applicant on a standby emergency basis only.

Applicant's presently filed domestic, commercial, and industrial service metered rates provide for the following

charges: for the first 500 cubic feet or less, \$1.00 per meter per month, with the next 2,000 cubic feet at 17 cents per 100 cubic feet; the next 17,500 cubic feet at 13 cents per 100 cubic feet; the next 80,000 cubic feet at 10 cents per 100 cubic feet; the next 1,900,000 cubic feet at 7 cents per 100 cubic feet; and all over 2,000,000 cubic feet at 6 cents per 100 cubic feet.

The rates proposed to be charged under the contract under consideration herein provide for delivery of 0 to 6,534,000 cubic feet of water at \$2,400 per month, which is an average of 3.673 cents per 100 cubic feet; for delivery of 6,534,000 to 8,712,000 cubic feet of water per month at the rate of 3.444 cents per 100 cubic feet, and for delivery of all over 8,712,000 cubic feet of water per month at the rate of 3.214 cents per 100 cubic feet.

The contract provides that the agreement shall be for a term of five years beginning on December 1, 1950, and continuing until November 30, 1955.

It appearing that applicant's presently filed domestic, commercial, and industrial service metered rate schedule was not designed to accommodate sales of water to such large industries as the oil refinery herein considered, and that public hearing is not necessary in this matter, and that the granting of the application to execute the special contract will not be adverse to the public interest, and that the application should be granted subject to certain conditions,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Dominguez Water Corporation is authorized to carry out the terms and conditions of a contract dated November 29, 1950, with Shell Oil Company to deliver water to its Dominguez Refinery, in accordance with the terms, charges and conditions stated therein, subject to the condition that the applicant shall, within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this order, file with this Commission two (2) certified copies of the contract as executed, together with a statement of the date on which the agreement is deemed to have become effective.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of February, 1951.

A. Z. Dominguez
Justice J. Casper
Harold Kula
James H. ...
John E. Mitchell
Commissioners