

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 45658

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
ALFRED GONDRING to operate a water )  
system in the County of Stanislaus, )  
State of California, and to establish )  
rates. )

Application No. 32073

Myron Moyle, for applicant.

O P I N I O N

Alfred Gondring, by this application requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing him to construct and operate a public utility water system in the residential subdivision of Mission Manor, located in the N.W. 1/4 of Section 10, T. 4 S., R. 9 E., M.D.B.&M., east of U. S. Highway 99 between Modesto and Ceres, in Stanislaus County, comprising approximately 19 acres of land. He also requests authority to establish schedules of flat and meter rates for water service in the tract.

The application was submitted at a public hearing held before Examiner Gregory at Modesto on April 18, 1951, at which no opposition was manifested. The record shows that there are no public utility water systems in the immediate vicinity with which applicant's system would be likely to compete.

Applicant owns the tract, which comprises 35 residential and two commercial lots. He has recently completed installation of the system at a cost of \$7,715.64, which includes the sum of \$250 for a plot of land 15 by 30 feet for a pumping station. A pump house, to cost about \$1,000, will be constructed later. The system consists of a drilled well 10 inches in diameter and 37 feet

deep, equipped with a 15 hp electric motor direct connected to a turbine pump capable of delivering 275 gallons per minute; a 2,000 gallon galvanized storage tank and pressure system capable of maintaining pressure at not less than 40 p.s.i.; and approximately 2,370 feet of pipe ranging from 4 inches to 1½ inches in diameter laid 2 feet underground, together with couplings, valves, and other necessary appurtenances.

Applicant proposes to charge a flat rate for domestic water service of \$2.50 per month and meter rates, as shown in the schedule following the order herein, commencing at \$2.25 per month for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less through a 5/8 x 3/4 inch meter.

The evidence shows that the water was tested by the Board of Health on March 18, 1951, and was found to be free of contamination. The present installations have been fully paid for. The record also shows that no county franchises or permits are needed at this time to enter into or under streets in the tract for the purpose of installing and maintaining water pipe lines.

The record indicates that the system is adequate for the proposed service, that applicant's capital figures accurately reflect the cost of installation, and that the proposed flat and meter rates are fair and reasonable for the service to be supplied. The requested certificate will, therefore, be granted, subject, however, to the following provision of law:

That the Commission shall have no power to authorize the capitalization of this certificate of public convenience and necessity or the right to own, operate or enjoy such certificate of public convenience and necessity in excess of the amount (exclusive of any tax or annual charge) actually paid to the State as the consideration for the issuance of such certificate of public convenience and necessity or right.

O R D E R

The above-entitled application having been filed, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been submitted and now being ready for decision,

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT that public convenience and necessity require the construction and operation of a public utility water system by Alfred Gondring in the area set forth in a map marked Exhibit No. 1 in this proceeding; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Alfred Gondring to construct and operate a public utility system for the distribution and sale of water within the territory hereinbefore described and as shown on Exhibit No. 1 in this proceeding.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall:

1. File the rates set forth in Exhibit A attached to this order, to be effective on or before the date service is rendered to the public, together with rules and regulations and tariff service area map acceptable to this Commission and in accordance with the requirements of General Order No. 96.
2. File within forty (40) days after the system is placed in operation four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale of approximately 400 feet to the inch, delineating by appropriate markings the various tracts of land and territory served and the location of the various properties of applicant.

The authorization herein granted will lapse if not exercised within one (1) year from the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1951.

R. T. Dutton  
Justice F. C. Cramer  
Harold P. Hale  
Samuel D. Potter  
John E. Mitchell  
Commissioners.

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Schedule No. 1

FLAT RATE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service rendered on a flat rate basis.

TERRITORY

In Mission Manor Subdivision, Stanislaus County.

RATES

For each residence.

For Each 3/4-inch  
Service Connection  
Per Month

\$ 2.50

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Meters may be installed at option of utility or customer for above classification, in which event service thereafter will be rendered only on the basis of Schedule No. 2, General Metered Service.

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## Schedule No. 2

GENERAL METERED SERVICEAPPLICABILITY

Applicable to all measured water service.

TERRITORY

In Mission Manor Subdivision, Stanislaus County.

RATES

Quantity Charge:	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>
First 1,000 cu.ft., or less.....	\$ 2.25
Next 3,000 cu.ft., per 100 cu.ft.....	.20
Next 6,000 cu.ft., per 100 cu.ft.....	.15
Over 10,000 cu.ft., per 100 cu.ft.....	.10
Minimum Charge:	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$ 2.25
For 3/4-inch meter.....	2.75
For 1-inch meter.....	3.25
For 1 1/2-inch meter.....	6.00
For 2-inch meter.....	10.00
For 3-inch meter.....	15.00
For 4-inch meter.....	25.00

The Minimum Charge will entitle the consumer to the quantity of water which that monthly minimum charge will purchase at the Quantity Rates.