

Decision No. 46373

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of: )

SARAH E. MEACHAM and RUTH M. HULL, )  
as Administratrices of the Estate )  
of Effie M. Meeker, Deceased, and )  
as Attorneys in Fact for certain )  
heirs of said Estate, and PAUL R. )  
EDWARDS, as owners of the Camp )  
Meeker Water System, and HARDIN T. )  
CHENOWETH, WILLIAM C. CHENOWETH, )  
and L. C. CHENOWETH )

Application No. 32820

For the Order of this Commission )  
authorizing petitioners SARAH E. )  
MEACHAM, RUTH M. HULL, and PAUL R. )  
EDWARDS to sell the Camp Meeker )  
Water System, and the petitioners )  
HARDIN T. CHENOWETH, WILLIAM C. )  
CHENOWETH, and L. C. CHENOWETH to )  
purchase the same. )

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing the transfer of a 43/51st interest in the Camp Meeker Water System from Paul R. Edwards and the heirs of the Estate of Effie M. Meeker, Deceased, to Hardin T. Chenoweth, William C. Chenoweth and L. C. Chenoweth.

The Camp Meeker Water System is located in and about Camp Meeker, in the County of Sonoma, and supplies water for domestic purposes to approximately 300 customers. The application shows that the Estate of Effie M. Meeker, Deceased, owns a two-thirds interest in the properties and Paul R. Edwards a one-third interest, that Sarah E. Meacham and Ruth M. Hull are administratrices of the Estate of Effie M. Meeker, Deceased, and that they desire to terminate the proceedings of said estate and

to dispose of the properties comprising it, including the interest in the water system. The application further shows that the administratrices have received authorization from 13 of the 17 distributive interests in the estate for the sale of the water properties and that accordingly said administratrices and Paul R. Edwards have made arrangements to dispose of their interests to the Chenoweths for the sum of \$24,880.28, of which the sum of \$8,500 has been assigned by them as the amount of the purchase price applicable to the water system, leaving a balance of approximately \$16,300 applicable to certain nonoperative lands. The application also states that the purchasers intend to acquire the remaining outstanding interests, which are held by other estates now pending in the County of Sonoma, to the end that they will have entire ownership of the water system properties.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing thereon is not necessary and that the proposed transfer will not be adverse to the public interest; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Sarah E. Meacham and Ruth M. Hull, as administratrices of the Estate of Effie M. Meeker, Deceased, and Paul R. Edwards, after the effective date hereof and on or before March 31, 1952, may sell and transfer their interests in the Camp Meeker Water System to Hardin T. Chenoweth, William C. Chenoweth and L. C. Chenoweth, such sale and transfer to be made under the terms and conditions set forth in this application.
2. The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

3. The rates, rules and regulations governing the operations of the Camp Meeker Water System now on file with the Commission shall be refiled within thirty (30) days from the date of transfer by the purchasers, in accordance with the procedure prescribed by General Order No. 96, or, in lieu of such refiling, said purchasers may file a notice of adoption of said presently filed rates, rules and regulations. No increases in the present rates shall be made unless authorized by the Commission.
4. On or before the date of actual transfer, the present owners of said Camp Meeker Water System shall refund all deposits which customers are entitled to have refunded. Any unrefunded deposits shall be transferred to and become the obligations for refund of the purchasers.
5. Within thirty (30) days after the transfer of the properties under the authority herein granted, the purchasers shall file with the Commission a copy of the deed or other instrument of conveyance as actually executed and delivered to them.

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

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

A. J. [Signature]  
President.

James F. [Signature]

Harold P. [Signature]

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Commissioners.