

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 48142

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application	)	
of	:	
JESS M. WALLER, AGNES L. WALLER and	)	Application
IRENE H. ROUSE, for authorization to	:	No. 34145
transfer the SHASTA RETREAT WATER	)	
SYSTEM.	:	
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Robert J. Foley, for Jess M. Waller and Agnes L. Waller; Verner R. Muth, for the Staff of the Commission.

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing the transfer of the Shasta Retreat Water System from Irene H. Rouse to Jess M. Waller and Agnes L. Waller.

It appears that for many years Mrs. Rouse has owned certain real estate in Siskiyou County and a small public utility water system known as the Shasta Retreat Water System. Her annual reports on file with the Commission show that for a number of years she has had 58 customers and has received annual gross revenues of approximately \$1,000 from the operation of the water system. The cost of the system and the land on which it is located is reported in the present application at \$2,583.64.

The application shows that Mrs. Rouse is ill and unable to continue the operation of the water system and that during 1952 she sold her holdings, including the properties comprising the water system, for the sum of \$10,000, no part of the purchase price being assigned to the water system. It is reported that the purchasers acquired the properties of Mrs. Rouse for investment

purposes, that they are in a position to finance the acquisition and to provide for the maintenance and operation of the utility, and that they have made or will make arrangements for a local representative to make repairs, replacements and additions to the lines, to collect revenues, and to be responsible for the operation. We will expect the purchasers to continue the public utility operations, to maintain a reasonable standard of service, and to furnish service to all applicants for water.

A hearing was held in this matter before Examiner Coleman on March 27, 1953. The Commission has considered the request and is of the opinion that the transfer of the water system is not adverse to the public interest and should be authorized; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The transfer of the Shasta Retreat Water System by Irene H. Rouse to Jess M. Waller and Agnes L. Waller hereby is authorized.

2. Jess M. Waller and Agnes L. Waller shall file with the Commission a notice in which they adopt as their own the rates, rules and regulations now on file with the Commission covering service given by Shasta Retreat Water System.

3. Jess M. Waller and Agnes L. Waller shall file with the Commission a statement showing the exact date on which they acquired the Shasta Retreat Water System and commenced the operation.

4. This order will become effective 20 days after the date hereof.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1953.

R. J. [Signature]  
President

James F. [Signature]

James H. [Signature]

John E. [Signature]

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Commissioners