

ORIGINALDecision No. 49254

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 the NEWHALL WATER COMPANY, a corpora-)
 tion, and the NEWHALL COUNTY WATER)
 DISTRICT for permission to sell the)
 physical assets of the NEWHALL WATER)
 COMPANY to the NEWHALL COUNTY WATER)
 DISTRICT.)

Application No. 34609
 As amended

OPINION AND ORDER

Newhall Water Company, a corporation, by application filed August 3, 1953, seeks authority from this Commission to sell the physical assets of the company to the Newhall County Water District, which joins in the application. The terms and conditions of the sale are set forth in an agreement dated June 27, 1953, supplemented by an agreement dated September 9, 1953, copies of which are attached as exhibits to the application, as amended.

Applicant alleges that the company's distribution system in the Newhall area in Los Angeles County is inadequate in size and that it would require reconstruction and substantial extensions in order to provide a portion of the district served by it with an adequate supply of water for both domestic and fire protection purposes, and that the residents of the district will vote on a revenue bond issue in the amount of \$425,000 for the purpose of providing funds with which to acquire the system and to reconstruct and extend it to provide an adequate supply of water. The district, in accordance with the agreement, has undertaken to pay the company \$130,000 cash for the physical assets of the company.

We find that the proposed transfer of properties will not be adverse to the public interest. The application, accordingly, will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

The action taken herein, however, shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Newhall Water Company, a corporation, may, on or after the effective date hereof and on or before December 31, 1953, sell and transfer to the Newhall County Water District, in accordance with the amended agreement of sale herein, the properties described in said agreement.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that:

1. On or before the actual date of transfer, Newhall Water Company, a corporation, shall refund all deposits which customers are entitled to have refunded, and within thirty days thereafter shall notify this Commission in writing of the completion of such refunding.
2. If the authority herein granted is exercised, Newhall Water Company shall, within thirty days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of such completion of the property transfer herein authorized.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 27th day of October, 1953.

J. E. [Signature]
President

Justin J. [Signature]

Russell [Signature]

Peter E. [Signature]

Verne [Signature]
Commissioners