

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 50756

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
BOWEN LAND COMPANY, INC., a corpora- )  
tion, for a Certificate of Public )  
Convenience and Necessity to operate )  
a public utility water system and to )  
establish rates for water service in )  
an Unincorporated Area adjoining the )  
City of Fresno, California, known as )  
Tancredy Tract. )

Application No. 35702

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for applicant.  
W. B. Stradley, for the Commission staff.

O P I N I O N

Bowen Land Company, Inc., seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of a public utility water system in Tancredy Tract, Fresno County, and further seeks authority to file rates for such service.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Carl Silverhart at Fresno on October 15, 1954, on which date the application, which was unopposed, was submitted.

The proposed service area contains 32 lots, the dimensions of which are set forth on a map attached to the application as Exhibit A. Such map shows the boundaries of said area and the location of the pipelines, tank and well.

The system is supplied by a 12-inch well, 155 feet deep, equipped with a 15-hp electric motor directly connected to a deep well turbine pump. The well has an estimated capacity of 250 gallons per minute and will discharge directly into the distribution system.

There is now installed a 2,000-gallon pressure tank and 1,850 feet of

distribution mains consisting of dipped 5½-inch, 8-gauge, boiler tubing, with welded joints. Service connections are 1-inch in diameter.

The cost of the system as proposed and presently installed is \$8,334.33.

The record indicates that a county franchise is not required. It appears that there is no other public water supply available to serve the proposed area.

The record shows that applicant possesses the requisite ability to institute the proposed service and to develop the system as further public need requires.

Pursuant to authority granted by the Commission in Decision No. 47384, in Application No. 33287, applicant operates a public utility water system in Tract No. 1240, Bel-Air No. 4, Fresno County, some 3 miles distant from the proposed service area. Applicant requests authority to charge the same rates herein, as are authorized for its presently certificated area. The order which follows will make provision therefor.

The certificate of public convenience and necessity issued herein is subject to the following provisions 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 considered, 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 will require the construction and operation of a public utility water system by applicant in Tancredy Tract, Fresno County, California, as delineated on a map designated Exhibit A in this proceeding; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to Bowen Land Company, Inc., to construct and operate a public utility water system for the distribution and sale of water within the territory hereinbefore described.

1. Applicant is authorized to amend its presently filed tariff schedules, and file revised or additional tariff service area maps, in conformity with General Order No. 96, to provide for the application of said tariff schedules for water service in the area certificated by this order, such amended tariff schedules to be filed before service is first rendered to the public in said area under the authority herein granted.
2. Applicant shall file, within forty days after the system is placed in operation, four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale not smaller than 100 feet to the inch delineating by appropriate markings the various tracts of land and territory served; the principal water production, storage and distribution facilities; and the location of the various properties of applicant.
3. Applicant shall notify this Commission in writing of the completion of the system for which this certificate is granted, within thirty days thereafter.
4. Applicant shall base the accruals to depreciation upon spreading the original cost of the plant, less estimated net salvage and depreciation reserve, over the estimated remaining life of the property; applicants shall review the accruals when major changes in plant composition occur and for each plant account at intervals of not more than five years. Results of these reviews shall be submitted to this Commission.

The authorization herein granted will expire if not exercised within one year from the effective date hereof.

The effective date shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of November, 1954.

Robert E. Wood  
 President

Maxwell J. Casper

Gene Higgins

Rafael Gutierrez

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Commissioners

Commissioner Kenneth Pottor, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.