

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 53672

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
of CENTRAL EUREKA CORPORATION, a
California corporation, for authority
to sell and assign, and of LA ROBLEDA
CO., a California corporation for
authority to acquire assets, includ-
ing certain warehouse property and
equipment, and for LA ROBLEDA CO.
to assume certain liabilities.

Application No. 38247

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O P I N I O N

In this application, Central Eureka Corporation requests the Commission to make an order authorizing it to transfer certain public utility warehouse property and equipment to La Robleda Co.

The application was filed on July 13, 1956. A public hearing was held before Examiner Coleman in San Francisco on August 1, 1956, at which time the matter was taken under submission. The Commission has received no protests in the proceeding.

Central Eureka Corporation is engaged in operating a public utility warehouse in Princeton, Colusa County, and in conducting other operations, directly or indirectly, of a nonutility nature. It appears that it now desires to separate the public utility business and certain related activities from the remainder of the non-utility business and that it proposes to transfer the warehouse building, equipment and certain other properties and current assets to La Robleda Co., an inactive wholly-owned subsidiary corporation.

In consideration, La Robleda Co. will assume the payment of outstanding obligations which are associated with the properties to be transferred.

The testimony shows that the book cost of the tangible assets and current assets, which will be transferred, is \$1,263,096 and that the amount of the liabilities, which will be assumed, is approximately \$873,000. Central Eureka Corporation acquired the properties and operations in the latter part of 1954 and, according to the testimony, had net revenues of approximately \$157,000 for the first eight months of 1955.

It appears that Central Eureka Corporation will continue to hold all of the outstanding stock of La Robleda Co. and that there will be no change in the service to the public as the result of the transaction. Accordingly, we are of the opinion, and so find, that the transfer will not be adverse to the public interest and we will enter our order approving the application.

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

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above-entitled matter and the Commission having considered the evidence and being advised in the premises; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Central Eureka Corporation may transfer to La Robleda Co., on or before December 31, 1956, its public utility warehouse property and equipment.

2. On not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, effective concurrently with the consummation of such transfer, applicants shall supplement or reissue the tariffs now on file with the Commission, insofar as they name rates, rules and regulations governing the warehouse operations of Central Eureka Corporation, to show that Central Eureka Corporation has withdrawn or canceled and that La Robleda Co. concurrently has adopted or established, as its own, said rates, rules and regulations. The tariff filings made pursuant to this order in all respects shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of warehouse tariffs set forth in the Commission's General Order No. 61.

3. The authority herein granted will become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 29th day of August, 1956.

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Commissioners