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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
RIM OF THE WORLD WATER COMPANY for)
a certificate of public conven-)
ience and necessity to extend its)
water service area.)

Application No. 41052
(Amended)

O P I N I O N

By the subject application filed with this Commission on April 20, 1959, and amended by an amendment filed on May 19, 1959, applicant seeks authority to extend its service area to include 323 lots, comprising approximately 100 acres, in Tract No. 5089, San Bernardino County, California.

By prior decisions of this Commission applicant herein was given authority to render service as a water corporation to Tracts Nos. 5086, 5087 and 5088, San Bernardino County, California,^{1/} subject, among other things, to applicant certifying to the Commission that it possesses clear title to certain horizontal wells, and that it shall not extend service outside of the specified tracts without further order of the Commission.

The applicant is now seeking authority to serve Tract No. 5089. The staff has made an investigation of the application and the following statements, in substance, appear in the staff's report^{2/} relative thereto:

^{1/} Decision No. 53984, dated October 30, 1956, in Application No. 38130 and 38219; Decision No. 56082, dated January 14, 1958, in Application No. 38130, First Supplemental, amended; Decision No. 58101, dated March 10, 1959, in Application No. 40763.

^{2/} Marked Exhibit No. 1 in the proceeding.

A field investigation was made on May 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1959, in connection with Application No. 41052 (Amended). The results of this investigation are presented herein.

Service Area

A certificate is requested to extend contiguously into an area of approximately 100 acres adjoining the southwest corner of the area presently certificated by authority of Decision No. 56082. The requested area, namely, New Tentative Tract No. 5089, has been subdivided into 323 lots, varying in size from approximately 6,200 square feet to 17,500 square feet. Applicant alleges that as of May 14, 1959, 501 lots of the 668 lots within the presently certificated areas have been sold. Of the 167 unsold lots, only 91 residential lots are being offered for sale. The 76 other unsold lots are commercial or multi-unit residential, and are being withheld at this time.

Description of System

Distribution loops for the subject extension will consist of about 14,000 feet of 4-inch, 12-gauge double-dipped and wrapped steel pipe. The mains, valves and fire hydrants are to be adequately protected from freezing during the winter months. Services are to be installed as far as the property line as each customer is added to the system.

The lowest point in this requested area will be some 950 feet below the highest level of water storage. Thus a maximum static pressure of about 410 pounds per square inch could be exerted at the lower level. Since this pressure is far in excess of the 125-pound-per-square-inch maximum operating pressure allowable in General Order No. 103, the applicant proposes to add two more pressure zones of 218 lots and 105 lots, respectively. This is to be accomplished by pressure reduction regulators in the main lines. Additionally, for some customers within each of these zones the water company intends to install individual pressure regulators.

The water supply for this extension will come from 20 existing horizontal wells in or near the presently authorized service area. Capacity flow from these 20 wells, as measured during this field trip, coupled with the 200,000 gallons of storage, is adequate to meet the estimated peak water requirements at full development of the 668 lots within certificated areas plus the 323 lots in the requested area.

Additionally, the three 4-inch 600 gpm regulators specified for the proposed 323-lot extension to this system are adequate for peak demand flows.

On May 8, 1959, an option was entered into between Rim of the World Water Company and Running Springs County Water District to sell this water system to the District. This option terminates on December 3, 1959, and is contingent upon the sale of bonds of the District being approved at an election within the District, plus the acquisition of the monies and funds from the sale of such bonds. The Running Springs County Water District bond election is to be held on June 23, 1959.

By letter dated June 1, 1959, the County Water District advised the Commission that it has no objection to the application and waives any hearing.

Based upon its investigation, the staff recommended that any extended service area granted in this application should be subject to the condition that further extensions cannot be made into other territory without authority first being obtained from this Commission.

Upon the evidence of record herein, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require that applicant extend service to Tract No. 5089, San Bernardino County, California. Inasmuch as this certificated area is immediately contiguous to applicant's existing area a certificate would not be required except for the restriction contained in Decision No. 56082,

supra, the authority herein requested will be authorized by amending the order in Decision No. 56082. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

Good cause appearing, and the Commission having made the foregoing findings and based upon said findings,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That paragraph (1) of the order of said Decision No. 56082, dated January 14, 1958, in Application No. 38130, First Supplemental, Amended, as amended by Decision No. 58101, dated March 10, 1959, in Application No. 40763, is further amended to read as follows:

That Rim of the World Water Company, a corporation, be, and it is, authorized to extend service to Tracts Nos. 5087, 5088 and 5089, San Bernardino County, California.

(2) That paragraph (2) of the order of Decision No. 56082 is amended to read as follows:

That applicant shall not extend its water system outside the boundaries of Tracts Nos. 5086, 5087, 5088 and 5089 without further order of this Commission.

(3) That applicant is authorized to apply, after the effective date of this order, its presently effective tariff schedules in the extended area granted herein.

(4) That applicant, after the effective date of this order, shall revise its presently filed tariff schedules, including tariff service area map, in accordance with the procedure prescribed in General Order No. 96, to provide for the application of said tariff schedules for water service in the extended area granted herein, such revised tariff sheets to become effective before service is first furnished to the public under the authority herein granted. The hereinabove mentioned tariff sheets shall become effective upon five days' notice to the Commission and to the public after filing as hereinabove provided.

(5) That applicant shall notify this Commission, in writing, of the date service is first rendered to the public, under the authority herein granted, within ten days thereafter.

(6) That applicant shall file, within forty days after the extended system is placed in operation, four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale not smaller than 300 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 water system properties of applicant.

(7) That, except as herein specifically modified, Decisions Nos. 53984, 56082 and 58101 shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of June, 1959.

H. L. Fox
President

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Commissioners