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Decision No. <u>59541</u>

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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of FRED PEDRO and LOUISE PEDRO to transfer a water system in Grenada, Siskiyou County, California to MAUD B. BRINING.

Application No. 41716

## OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, filed December 3, 1959, Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro seek authority to transfer the public utility water system, operated under the name Grenada Water Company, to Maude B. Brining<sup>1</sup>/, who joins in the application.

Applicant sellers state that the water system proposed to be transferred serves an area in, and adjacent to, the unincorporated community of Grenada, Siskiyou County, and consists of certain parcels of land, a pumping plant, reservoir site, pipeline right of way and other facilities used in connection with furnishing domestic water service in this area.

By Decision No. 58464, dated May 22, 1959, in Application No. 41021, Fred and Louise Pedro were authorized to purchase the subject water system from Maude B. Bird, a widow. The instant application states that, subsequent to the previously authorized transfer, Maude B. Bird remarried and is now known as Maude B. Brining, the proposed purchaser herein. It appears from Commission records that the notice of adoption of presently filed rates and rules by Fred and Louise Pedro was not accomplished as required by Decision No. 58464. Consequently, the Grenada Water Company rates and rules now remain filed under the name of J. C. Bird, deceased.

1/ Also referred to as Maud B. Brining in title of application.

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The order to follow will provide that the present rates and rules be filed by Maude B. Brining.

The terms and conditions of the proposed transfer are set forth in the application and may be summarized as follows: Maude B. Bird, now Maude B. Brining, holds a note from Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro for \$2,500 payable in installments. The balance outstanding on the note is \$2,260 which sum is stated to be the consideration for the transfer. Upon consummation of the transfer Maude B. Brining is to accept a quitclaim deed from Fred and Louise Pedro cancelling the above-mentioned note. A copy of said deed is attached to the application as "Petitioner's Exhibit A".

The utility's annual report to the Commission for the year ended December 31, 1958, shows total utility plant in the amount of \$4,958.39 and depreciation reserve in the amount of \$2,353.35, indicating net utility plant in the amount of \$2,605.04.

The application states that Fred and Louise Pedro are now unable to care for and properly service the water system and are unable to pay the balance outstanding on the \$2,500 note. The proposed purchaser alleges that she desires to again acquire the water system and, with her husband, will be able to operate the water utility as a business.

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

The Commission having considered the above-entitled application and being of the opinion that the proposed transfer will not be adverse to the public interest, that a public hearing is not necessary, and that the application should be granted; therefore,

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro, doing business as Grenada Water Company, may, on or after the effective date hereof and on or before October 31, 1960, transfer their public utility water system properties, described in the copy of a deed attached to the application, in accordance with the terms of sale set forth in the application.

2. On or before the date of actual transfer Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro shall refund all deposits and all advances for construction, if any, which customers are entitled to have refunded. Any unrefunded deposits and advances shall be transferred to and become the responsibility for refund of Maude B. Brining.

3. On or before the date of actual transfer of the physical properties herein authorized, Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro shall transfer and deliver to Maude B. Brining, and the latter shall receive and preserve, all records, memoranda and papers pertaining to the construction and operation of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

4. If the authority herein granted is exercised, Maude B. Brining shall, within thirty days thereafter, notify this Commission in writing of the date of such completion of transfer to her under the conditions hereof.

5. Maude B. Brining shall refile with this Commission within thirty days after the date of transfer, the rates and rules of J. C. Bird presently on file, in accordance with procedure prescribed in General Order No. 96; or in lieu of such filing shall file a notice of adoption of said presently filed rates and rules. No increases in the present lawfully filed rates and rules shall be made unless otherwise properly authorized by the Commission.

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6. Upon due compliance with all of the conditions of this order, Fred Pedro and Louise Pedro Shall Stand relieved of all further public utility obligations and liabilities in connection with the operation of the public utility water system herein authorized to be transferred.

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

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ San Francisco \_\_\_\_, California, this <u>26 Th</u> day <u>culatel</u>, 1960. o£ President Commissioners