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Decision No. 61761

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC WATER CO., a California corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity under Section 1001 of the Public Utilities Code for land adjoining its Westside Water System, San Bernardino County, California.

Application No. 38189 Fourth Supplemental (Amended)

OPINION AND ORDER

Pacific Water Company filed this fourth supplemental application in the above-numbered matter on February 2, 1961, and an amendment thereto on February 21, 1961, seeking authority to extend service into certain areas adjoining its Westside Water System.

The certificated area served by applicant's Westside Water System comprises 6½ square miles, located one mile west of the City of Barstow in San Bernardino County. It includes two independent water systems, herein designated as the West System and the East System. The two systems are not interconnected and are separated by one and one-half miles of vacant land. All services are metered. There are 492 customers in the West System and 61 customers in the East System.

In Decision No. 54278, dated December 18, 1956, in the above-numbered application, the Commission ordered, in part, as follows:

"Applicant shall not extend service beyond its existing Westside service area to any area other than (1) the Lenwood area (2) original Tract No. 4552, and (3) the approved lots along the existing transmission line east of Tract No. 4552 and south of U. S. Highway No. 66, without further order of this Commission. Such order may be applied for by supplemental application or applications which shall include a proper showing as to an adequately engineered water system, an adequate water supply, and adequate financing. Whether or not a public hearing will be required on any of such applications will be determined when each application is filed."

Applicant now seeks authority to extend its Westside Water System into the four areas described below. It proposes to serve the first two areas from its West System and the other two from its East System. These areas are within applicant's certificated area, but subject to the restrictions of Decision No. 54278. The four areas are:

- 1. A thirty-scre portion of the northeast one-quarter of the northwest one-quarter of Section 8, Township 9 North, Range 2 West, S.B.B. & M. which is to be subdivided and developed in four units, each containing approximately twenty-two lots. The first unit has been designated Tract No. 6063. Applicant states that the entire development will be served under its main extension rule for service to subdivisions.
- 2. A 2k-zere parcel described as the south 300 feet of the north 1190 feet of the east 330 feet of the east half of the northwest quarter of Section 8, Township 9 North, Range 2 West, S.B.B. & M. Applicant states that a main extension will not be required as the main to be installed for service to Tract 6063 will extend along the north boundary of this property.
- 3. A 2½-scre parcel described as the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter, Section 10, Township 9 North, Range 2 West, S.B.B. & M. Applicant states that a main extension is not required to serve this property.
- 4. A property designated as 27117 West Highway 66 and described as that portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 10, Township 9 North, Range 2 West, S.B.B. & M. according to government survey, described as beginning at a point in the southerly line of the State Highway extending through said Section 10, which point is 750 feet southwesterly, measured along said southerly line from its intersection at the east line of said section; thence southwesterly, along the said southerly line of said State Highway to its intersection with the south line of the north half of the northeast quarter of said Section 10; thence east along the south line of the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 10 to a point thereon due south of the point of beginning; thence north to the point of beginning. Applicant states that a main extension is not required to service this property.

The Commission staff undertook an engineering investigation as to applicant's capability to provide service to the additional areas it proposes herein to serve. It appears that applicant has adequate sources of water to make the requested extensions. However, the engineer's report indicates that applicant should install a main line meter at well No. SBC 13 in the West System in oxder that the production of this source may be measured and recorded. The order herein will require applicant to install such a measuring device.

The Commission has given consideration to this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary. The Commission finds that the public interest will not be adversely affected by the requested extensions and that the application should be granted; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Applicant is authorized to extend its Westside Water System to serve the four areas hereinabove enumerated and described.
- 2. Applicant shall install a suitable measuring device at its well No. SEC 13 in order that it may maintain a record of the quantity of water produced at that well.
 - 3. In all other respects Decision No. 54278 shall remain in

full force and effect, except as previously modified by Decisions Nos. 55236, 56476, 57537 and 57573.

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

Dated at San Francisco , California, this 4th day of APRIL , 1961.

President