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Decision	No.	62772

EEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ROSA WATER COMPANY, a corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing applicant to furnish water service to additional area in the vicinity of Santa Susana, Ventura County, California.

Application No. 43820 (Filed October 6, 1961)

OPINION

Applicant provides water service to customers in six separated areas in Simi Valley, California. By the application herein, it seeks authority to extend service to an unconnected tract, Tract No. 1304, south of Los Angeles Avenue (Exhibit A). The location of the proposed service area is shown on Exhibit B on the application.

Tract No. 1304 contains 14 acres of land divided into 43 lots on each of which a single family residence is being constructed.

The developer of the tract has installed thereon a water system, including fire hydrants (Exhibit A). The tract was allegedly approved by the County of Ventura on May 2, 1961, showing another public utility water company as the supplier, but no source of water has been secured. The subdivider has requested that applicant furnish water has been secured.

Applicant estimated that the cost of the installation of the distribution facilities in the tract, and an extension of an 8-inch line from Los Angeles Avenue via Royal Avenue, but excluding meters and meter boxes, would be \$17,881 (Exhibit C). It has

advised the Commission by letter, however, that the Simi Valley Unified School District intends to have Royal Avenue vacated and that, therefore, applicant desires to delete the request to extend service from Los Angeles Avenue via Royal Avenue. Instead, it seeks authority to extend service from Tract 1270-2, which is about 900 feet south of Tract No. 1304. This will allegedly reduce the utility's cost of relocating mains by approximately \$7,500. The cost of this system, including hydrants, is to be advanced by the subdivider and refunded pursuant to applicant's filed main extension rule. Services will be metered and the meters and boxes will be installed by applicant at an estimated cost of \$1,505.

Applicant estimates its annual revenues from sales in this subdivision will be \$2,709, and that its annual cost of operations will be \$1,822 (Exhibit D).

Applicant concedes that the forecasts show that with the existing water supply in the peak day of the peak month at the estimated July 1962 development of all of applicant's service areas there will be a shortage of water. Applicant intends to drill an additional well in Tapo Canyon prior to February 28, 1962, provide additional storage, and/or build additional wells in Simi Valley as such facilities are needed. In addition, applicant refers to the proposed importation of Colorado River water by the Calleguas Municipal Water District in the Simi Valley commencing in the summer of 1963.

Applicant alleges it has a health permit covering all the proposed service area and has a public franchise from the County of Ventura.

Applicant will provide service at the rates it has presently on file with the Commission.

A. 43820 SW/ds The Commission's Hydraulic Branch has investigated the application and recommends that it be granted subject to certain conditions contained in the order herein. Upon the record herein, the Commission finds and concludes that public convenience and necessity require that applicant be granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to acquire, construct, and operate a public utility water system in Tract No. 1304, Simi Valley, Ventura County, California. The applicant alleges that copies of the application were served on all water companies in the area. There were no protests. A public hearing is not necessary. It appears that homes in the subdivision are ready for occupancy and that a speedy determination is required. For that reason, the effective date of the decision will be the date hereof. The authority herein granted is subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in the order herein and to the further restriction that applicant shall not extend service beyond its presently certificated areas and Tract No. 1304, Ventura County, certificated herein, without further order of this Commission. The certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted is subject to the following provision 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. -3-

- 6. That applicant shall file within ninety days after the effective date hereof four copies of a comprehensive map drawn to an indicated scale not smaller than 300 feet to the inch, delineating by appropriate markings the tract of land served, the principal water production, storage, transmission and distribution facilities, and the location of the various properties of applicant, within and in the immediate vicinity of Tract No. 1304.
- 7. That applicant shall, on or before February 28, 1962, develop an additional source of supply which will provide a flow of at least 300 gallons per minute and, within ten days after this additional source of supply is developed, so notify this Commission in writing.

The authorization herein granted will expire if not exercised within one year after the effective date of this order.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1/1/h

day of Movembal, 1961.

President

Commissioners

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