

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 64495

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
of C. WESLEY BIRD, doing business
as the WESMILTON WATER SYSTEM, for
a certificate of public convenience
and necessity to serve an adjoining
tract called the Zachery Terrace
No. 1378, in Fresno County.

Application No. 44560

O P I N I O N

C. Wesley Bird, doing business as Wesmilton Water System, requests authority to extend his public utility water system to a tract known as Zachery Terrace, located one mile north of the City of Selma in Fresno County.

The proposed area is contiguous to applicant's present system and is bounded by E. Dinuba Avenue on the north, Highland Avenue on the east, Cortley Avenue on the south, and the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks on the west.

Water for the existing system and the proposed area is supplied by two wells which have a combined output of approximately 1,000 gallons per minute. The proposed extension will supply water to an estimated 16 homes and will consist of 630 feet of 6-inch welded pipe from which 1-inch laterals would extend to the property lines. The system will be installed by the subdivider and then sold to applicant for \$3,600. Of the total amount \$1,600 is the estimated cost of labor and \$2,000 is the estimated cost of materials. Applicant's proposal has the effect of a deviation from his filed main extension rule in that he does not intend to require the subdivider to advance the cost of the main extension. No showing in justification of such a deviation has been presented.

Applicant proposes to apply his existing rate schedules. The estimated annual revenue from the new service area based upon 16 customers at \$4.50 per month is \$864. As of June 10, 1962, applicant indicated a net worth in the amount of \$52,424.

After consideration the Commission finds that:

1. The water system as proposed is adequate to furnish service to the Zachery Terrace Tract and satisfies the requirements set forth in General Order 103.
2. Applicant's existing water supply has sufficient capacity to serve the extended area without lowering the quality of service received by existing customers.
3. Applicant's proposed deviation from his filed main extension rule is not in the public interest.
4. Public convenience and necessity require the granting of authority to serve the Zachery Terrace Tract. Public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

Application having been filed and the Commission being informed in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to C. Wesley Bird authorizing him to construct and operate a public utility water system within Zachery Terrace, Tract No. 1878, Fresno County, as that area is set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to the application in this proceeding.
2. Applicant is authorized to file, after the effective date of this order, to be effective on or before the date service is first rendered to the public under the authority herein granted, such revised tariff sheets including tariff service area maps, acceptable to this Commission and in accordance with the requirements of General Order No. 96-A, as are necessary to provide for the application of his present tariff schedules to the area certificated herein. Such

revised tariff sheets shall become effective upon five days' notice to the Commission and to the public after filing as hereinabove provided.

3. Applicant shall notify this Commission in writing of the date service is first rendered to the public under the rates and rules authorized herein, within ten days thereafter.

4. Applicant shall file, within thirty days after the system is placed in operation under the rates and rules authorized herein, four copies of a comprehensive map, drawn to an indicated scale of not more than 400 feet to the inch, delineating by appropriate markings the tract of land and territory served; the principal water production, storage and distribution facilities; and the location of the various water system properties of applicant.

5. The certificate herein granted and the authority to render service under the rates and rules authorized herein will expire if not exercised within one year after the effective date of this order.

6. Applicant is not authorized to deviate from his main extension rule.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 7th day of NOVEMBER, 1962.

George T. Grover
President
Robert A. Hill
Lyons
Bevilacqua
Fredrick B. Hallock
Commissioners