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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of DEEP RIVER WATER)
 COMPANY for approval of condem-)
 nation sale and for order to be)
 relieved of its public utility)
 obligations.)

Application No. 45412
 (Filed May 3, 1963)

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests an order, pursuant to Section 851 of the Public Utilities Code, authorizing consummation of eminent domain proceedings whereby County Waterworks District No. 34 of the County of Los Angeles, on November 7, 1962, secured an order of condemnation of applicant's waterworks, described in Exhibit A attached to the application, for the stipulated sum of \$215,000 (County Waterworks District No. 34 v. Deep River Water Co., No. 804400, L.A. Co.). The District has assumed liabilities of the company totaling \$71,967, has paid the stipulated just compensation of \$143,033, and is operating the water system.

Applicant alleges that the winding up of its affairs, commenced about October 1, 1962, will be completed immediately upon issuance of the Commission's order authorizing the disposition of its system and relieving it of its public utility obligations.

The company has advised the Commission, by letter dated May 22, 1963, that its liabilities in the amount of \$71,967, assumed by the District, include \$69,561.67 of construction advances, shown in its 1961 Annual Report to the Commission, plus about \$2,500 additional advances received in 1962 to the date the operation was turned over to the District. With respect to the sum of \$69,341.30 shown in the 1961 Annual Report as "current and accrued liabilities", the company advises that all its current and past liabilities and obligations have been fully paid and satisfied from the condemnation sale proceeds and that it has no remaining outstanding debts or obligations. The advice letter is hereby incorporated in the record herein as Exhibit 1.

We find that the issuance of the requested authority will not be adverse to the public interest. We conclude, therefore, that the company should be relieved of its public utility obligations.

No objection to the granting of the requested authority has been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Deep River Water Company is authorized to transfer its public utility water system to Los Angeles County Water District No. 34, in accordance with the condemnation proceeding described in the foregoing opinion.

2. On the effective date of this order, Deep River Water Company shall stand relieved of its public utility obligations in connection with the operations 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 23rd
day of JULY, 1963.

William B. Brownell
President
Frank E. Hutchins
Charles S. Stone
George G. Grover
Fredrick B. Hallock
Commissioners