

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 65963

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of VILLAGE WATER COMPANY for an order authorizing the carrying out of the terms of a contract for delivery and sale of water to Conejo Valley Water Company.

Application No. 45527  
(Filed June 14, 1963)

OPINION AND ORDER

Village Water Company requests authority to carry out the terms and conditions of an agreement, dated January 4, 1963, with Conejo Valley Water Company for the delivery and sale of surplus water to Conejo, in the Thousand Oaks area of Ventura County, until such time as a member unit of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California makes available to Conejo sufficient water to meet the needs of its customers.

Under the terms and conditions of the agreement, Village will supply to Conejo up to 500,000 gallons of water per day, at a rate of \$38.50 per acre-foot, subject to a minimum charge of \$100 per month for each well from which water is produced. If Village were to apply its present Schedule No. 6LXZU, Limited Temporary Surplus Resale Water Service, the charges would be approximately \$50 per acre-foot.

Conejo has advanced \$110,723.59 to cover the cost of wells and transmission mains required to provide the service and is required to advance the cost of such additional facilities as may be mutually agreed on to maintain the service. Conejo will also bear the cost of all repairs, replacements and improvements to the

additional facilities up to \$1,000, and then on a pro rata basis for all such costs above that amount.

The contract may be terminated by Village at any time that Conejo becomes able to replace the supply by purchase of water from Calleguas Municipal Water District. Upon such termination, Village shall refund to Conejo the total amount advanced by Conejo, reduced by 0.833% for each month (10% per year) during which the facilities have been used. The contract will terminate on January 1, 1972, if not terminated earlier by one of the options.

The Commission finds that the terms and conditions of the agreement are not adverse to the public interest.

The Commission concludes that the requested application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

#### O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Village Water Company is authorized to carry out the terms and conditions of the agreement, dated January 4, 1963, with Conejo Valley Water Company.
2. Within thirty days after the effective date of this order, Village Water Company shall file two fully conformed copies of the agreement as executed.
3. Within sixty days after the effective date of this order, Village Water Company shall file the summary required by General Order No. 96-A, listing all contracts and deviations including the agreement herein authorized. Such filing must comply with General

Order No. 96-A, and the new and revised tariff sheets, if acceptable to this Commission, shall become effective on the fourth day after the date of filing.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 1963.

William W. Bennett  
President

George D. Thayer  
Fredrick B. Haloboff  
Commissioners

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell  
present but not voting.