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Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Kenneth H. Sowers, d/b/a Winterhaven Water Company

Application No. 45885 Filed October 18, 1963

for Authority to Issue Trust Deed Note

$\underline{O P I N I O N}$

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing Kenneth H. Sowers, doing business as Winterhaven Water Company, to execute a mortgage of chattels and a deed of trust, and to issue a 5-1/2% note in favor of the Small Business Administration in the principal amount of \$15,000, payable in monthly installments of \$291 over a period of five years, which installments will apply first to the payment of accrued interest. Kenneth H. Sowers proposes to apply the note proceeds in approximate amounts as follows:

Retire existing Small Business Administration loan \$ 6,673 Well site and condemnation 1,000 Engineering costs and drilling water well 2,520 Installing pipe under U. S. Highway 80 1,500 Pipelines 3,307

Total

\$15,000

Such balance, if any, of the proceeds as will remain after the foregoing, will be applied toward working capital.



The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion, and finds, that (1) the proposed note issue is for proper purposes; (2) the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the note herein authorized is reasonably required for the purposes specified herein; and (3) such purposes are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income. A public hearing is not necessary.

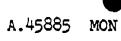
On the basis of the foregoing findings, we conclude that the application should be granted. The authorization thus granted is not to be construed as indicative of amounts to be included in future proceedings for the purpose of determining just and reasonable rates, nor is it to be construed as authorizing Kenneth H. Sowers to apply any of the note proceeds toward the financing of distribution facilities in a manner deviating from prescribed main extension rules.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Kenneth H. Sowers, doing business as Winterhaven Water Company, on or after the effective date hereof and on or before March 31, 1964, may execute a mortgage of chattels and a deed of trust, and may issue a note in the principal amount of not to exceed \$15,000, for the purposes set forth in this proceeding, which documents shall be in the same form, or in substantially the same form, as those attached to the application.

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2. Kenneth H. Sowers, doing business as Winterhaven Water Company, shall file with the Commission a report, or reports, as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

3. This order shall become effective when Kenneth H. Sowers, doing business as Winterhaven Water Company, has paid the minimum fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is \$25.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19.54 day or <u>Manenuluer</u>, 1963.

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