

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 68744

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of }
 ANTELOPE VALLEY WATER CO., for a }
 Certificate of Public Convenience }
 and Necessity authorizing Applicant }
 to furnish Water Service to }
 California Interstate Telephone Co. }
 in the vicinity of North Edwards, }
 Kern County, California. }

Application No. 47267
(Filed January 18, 1965)

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to furnish water service to California Interstate Telephone Co. in the vicinity of North Edwards, Kern County. Applicant also seeks authority to exercise a previously granted franchise.

Applicant presently is authorized to operate public utility water systems in Los Angeles and Kern Counties. Applicant seeks authorization to construct an extension of one of its Kern County systems as delineated upon the map marked Exhibit A and attached to the application. The area proposed to be served lies between its present B-2 and Carlsberg service areas. A main line extension will be required in order to supply service. The estimated cost of such extension is \$6,400 of which \$5,625 is to be charged to California Interstate Telephone Company.

Applicant proposes to charge its presently filed rate for its B-2 and Carlsberg areas.

Applicant has been granted a franchise by the County of Kern (Ordinance No. F-47 adopted July 23, 1957) to construct and operate a water system. This franchise, granted in accordance with

the Broughton Act of 1905, provides for the annual payment to Kern County equivalent to two percent of the gross receipts arising from the use, operation or possession of the franchise.

The Commission has considered this matter and finds that public convenience and necessity require that a certificate be granted for (1) the construction and operation of a water system in the area sought and (2) the exercise of the rights and privileges granted under Ordinance No. F-47 of the County of Kern in said area. The certificates hereinafter granted are subject to the following provision of law:

That the Commission shall have no power to authorize the capitalization of the franchise involved herein or the certificate of public convenience and necessity or the right to own, operate or enjoy such franchise or certificate of public convenience and necessity in excess of the amount (exclusive of any tax or annual charge) actually paid to the State or to a political subdivision thereof as the consideration for the grant of such franchise, certificate of public convenience and necessity, or right.

The action taken herein is for the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity only and is not to be considered as indicative of amounts to be included in proceedings for the purpose of determining just and reasonable rates.

A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Antelope Valley Water Co., authorizing it to extend, construct and operate its public utility water system in Kern County in accordance with Exhibit A attached to the application.

2. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Antelope Valley Water Co. to exercise the rights and privileges conferred by the Franchise issued pursuant to Ordinance No. F-47, adopted July 23, 1957, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern.

3. Applicant is authorized to apply its presently filed B-2 and Carlsberg rates (Inyokern Tariff Area rates) to the area certificated herein.

4. Applicant is authorized and directed to revise, within thirty days after the effective date of this order and in conformity with General Order No. 96-A, such of its tariff schedules, including a tariff service area map, as are necessary to provide for the application of its tariff schedules to the area certificated herein. Such tariff sheets shall become effective upon five days' notice to the public and this Commission after filing as hereinabove provided.

5. Applicant shall notify this Commission, in writing, of the date service is first rendered to the public under the authority granted, within ten days thereafter.

6. The certificates 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of MARCH, 1965.

Frederick B. Hallock
President
George F. Hoover
William W. P. Bennett
Commissioners