

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 70199

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Neven R. George and Marjorie M. George, owners of the Dos Rios Water System, to bequeath said system to the property owners within the presently defined boundaries of such system; for the purpose of forming a Mutual Water System.

Application No. 47975

O P I N I O N

On October 14, 1965, Neven R. George and Marjorie M. George, owners of the Dos Rios Water System, hereinafter called transferors, filed an application seeking authority to transfer, as a gift, the properties comprising the water system to the Dos Rios Mutual Water Corporation, hereinafter called Mutual. Mutual through its directors joined in the application by way of a declaration attached thereto.

The Report on Dos Rios Water System, dated November 19, 1965, prepared by an Associate Utilities Engineer of the Commission staff is hereby made a part of the record herein as Exhibit 1.

The water system serves approximately 20 customers in Dos Rios and on the east side of the Eel River. It consists of water rights in certain land, approximately 7,140 feet of pipe with fittings, one 10,000 gallon redwood storage tank, and rights-of-way for pipelines. The book value of these properties is \$2,803.46.

The system suffered extensive damage in the December 1964 flood, and the two pipelines which carried water from the springs on the east side of the Eel River to users on the west side were lost. The transferors made no effort to repair the flood-damaged water

system, but the residents of Dos Rios restored water service at low pressures to most of the homes on the west side by diverting water from a small creek into some of the pipelines. In May of this year a group of residents from both sides of the river purchased and installed the necessary material to place the river crossings back in service.

The Commission finds that a public hearing herein is not necessary and that the proposed transfer as hereinafter authorized would not be adverse to the public interest. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or after the effective date of this order applicants Neven R. George and Marjorie M. George, owners of the Dos Rios Water System, are authorized to transfer the water system properties, described in the application herein, as a gift to Dos Rios Mutual Water Corporation.
2. The authority granted herein shall expire ninety days after the effective date hereof unless earlier exercised.
3. When said Neven R. George and Marjorie M. George have transferred the properties described in the application herein, they shall so certify to the Commission in writing within ten days.
4. Upon completion of the transfer of the public utility properties authorized herein, said Neven R. George and Marjorie M. George shall stand relieved of their public utility obligations in

connection with the public utility water system herein authorized to be transferred.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of JANUARY, 1966.

Friedrich B. Holdreiff  
President

John E. B. Smith

George L. Crover

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Commissioners