

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 70500

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of JOSEUA TREE SERVICE COMPANY for authority to implement an agreement with JOSEUA BASIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT for sale of all public utility assets and to be relieved of its obligations as a public utility.

Application No. 47380
(Filed March 3, 1965)

In the matter of the application of RANCHO RAMON WATER CO., a California corporation, for authority to implement an agreement with JOSHUA BASIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT for immediate sale of certain utility assets, for immediate lease, with option to purchase of other utility assets, for the future sale of all of its remaining utility assets and to be relieved of its obligations as a public utility.

Application No. 47381
(Filed March 3, 1965)

ORDER RELIEVING JOSHUA TREE
SERVICE COMPANY OF ITS PUBLIC
UTILITY OBLIGATIONS

Decision No. 69255 provides, among other things, that Joshua Tree Service Company (Joshua): (1) may sell its public utility water system properties, described in an agreement attached to Application No. 47380, to Joshua Basin County Water District; (2) shall refund all customers' deposits subject to refund and advise this Commission thereof; (3) shall adjust to actual cost and refund when due all advances for construction

and (4) shall file with this Commission evidence that it has provided and will provide, in a manner acceptable to this Commission, an adequate guarantee to assure payment of refunds due or to become due on all remaining main extension agreements relating to the system transferred.

On January 27, 1966, Joshua filed with this Commission a letter dated January 17, 1965 (sic), signed by its president stating (1) that it has transferred to Joshua Basin County Water District the public utility water system properties referred to, in accordance with the Commission's requirements; (2) that it has refunded all customers' deposits subject to refund; and (3) that it has adjusted all advances for construction to actual cost. Said letter also states (4) that Joshua has entered into an agreement with Pearson, Scott and Company which will guarantee the payment of refunds due or to become due on all main extension agreements relative to Joshua's system authorized to be transferred by Decision No. 69255. This agreement is evidenced by an "Irrevocable Depository Agreement", dated January 5, 1966, and a "Partial Assignment of Waterworks Acquisition Agreement", dated January 5, 1966, copies of which were filed with this Commission in Application No. 47380, and are hereby approved.

A staff engineer advised this Commission, by letter dated February 18, 1966, that Joshua Basin County Water District is providing service to all of the previous customers of Joshua and has installed services for all individuals

who had requested service from Joshua prior to the transfer of the Joshua properties to the water district.

The documents above referred to show acceptable compliance by Joshua with the provisions of Decision No. 69255; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Joshua Tree Service Company is relieved of its public utility obligations in connection with its public utility water system authorized to be transferred to Joshua Basin County Water District by Decision No. 69255, except as to the refund of unrefunded main extension advances which have or will become due.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of MARCH, 1966.

~~Frederick B. Holoboff~~
John E. Mitchell
President
August 10 1966
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William C. Bennett
Commissioners

Commissioner Frederick B. Holoboff
present but not voting.

Commissioner George G. Grover
present but not voting.