

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 71166

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of S. O. PATTERSON and SHIRLEY R.)
PATTERSON, doing business as the)
Las Flores Water Works under Sec-)
tion 454 of the Public Utilities)
Code, for authority to increase)
rates for water service.)

Application No. 48464
(Filed May 11, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

S. O. Patterson and Shirley R. Patterson (Las Flores Water Works), who supply water for domestic purposes to 48 customers within the community of Las Flores, Tehama County, by this application seek authority to increase water rates to a basic flat-rate charge of \$3.25 per month. Applicants' present rates were established in 1921 and have remained unchanged to date.

Applicants' system consists of a well equipped with a 10-hp pump, an hydropneumatic tank of 1,000 gallons capacity and 3,700 feet of mains ranging in size from 2- to 4-inch diameter.

Applicants notified each of their customers of their rate proposal on June 1, 1966. No customer has communicated with the Commission, in response to such notice, either as a matter of comment or opposition to the rate proposal.

Applicants' showing respecting the financial results of their utility operations under existing water rates discloses an estimated net loss of \$495 for the year 1966. Under the rates which they propose, an annual net revenue of \$170 might be realized.

In view of the pleadings and the record before it, the Commission finds that applicants are in need of and entitled to

increased revenues in the total amount sought. Public hearing in the matter is not necessary.

It is found that the increases in rates authorized herein are justified and that existing rates, insofar as they differ from those authorized herein, are for the future unjust and unreasonable.

IT IS ORDERED that applicants are authorized to file with this Commission, on or after the effective date of this order and in conformance with the provisions of General Order No. 96-A, the schedule of rates attached to this order as Appendix A and, on not less than five days' notice to make said rates effective for water service rendered on and after September 1, 1966.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23rd day of AUGUST, 1966.

John E. Fisher President
George T. Hoover
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William L. Bennett

Commissioners

Commissioner Frederick B. Holeboff, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Schedule No. 1

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GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated community of Las Flores, Tehama County.

RATES

Per Meter
Per Month

Quantity Rates:

First 700 cu.ft. or less	\$2.25
Next 2,300 cu.ft., per 100 cu.ft.28
Over 3,000 cu.ft., per 100 cu.ft.23

Minimum Charge:

For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$2.25
For 3/4-inch meter	3.35
For 1-inch meter	5.55

The Minimum Charge will entitle the customer to the quantity of water which that minimum charge will purchase at the Quantity Rates.

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APPENDIX A
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Schedule No. 2

GENERAL FLAT RATE SERVICEAPPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service furnished on a flat rate basis.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated community of Las Flores, Tehama County.

RATES

	<u>Per Service Connection</u> <u>Per Month</u>	
1. For a single-family residential unit including premises not exceeding 1 lot, 40' x 120', 4,800 sq.ft. in area	\$3.25	(I)
2. For each additional single-family residential unit on the same premises and served from the same service connection	1.50	(N)
3. For each 100 sq.ft. of irrigation of premises in excess of 4,800 sq.ft.	.10	

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- The above flat rates apply to service connections not larger than one inch in diameter.
- All service not covered by the above classifications shall be furnished only on a metered basis.
- Meters shall be installed if either utility or customer so chooses for above classifications, in which event service thereafter shall be furnished on the basis of Schedule No. 1, General Metered Service.

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