

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 71667

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application  
of GREAT WESTERN WATER SERVICE,  
a California corporation, for  
authority to contiguously extend  
public utility service to Tract  
No. 23445 pursuant to Section  
1001 of the Public Utilities Code.

Application No. 48862  
(Filed October 11, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

Great Western Water Service seeks the lifting of re-  
strictions imposed by Decision No. 59934, dated April 12, 1960, in  
Application No. 39083, and seeks authority to extend its water  
service contiguously to Tract No. 23445 which consists of 4 lots  
in Stage 1 and 10 lots in Stage 2 or a total of 14 lots north and  
west of Pearblossom Highway and 32nd Street East in Palmdale.

One of the owners of the tract filed a complaint against  
Great Western, Case No. 8423, on May 20, 1966, and a public hearing  
was held before Examiner Warner on August 9, 1966, at Palmdale.  
Decision No. 71293, dated September 20, 1966, resulted, and the  
filing of the instant application was suggested therein.

A Commission staff engineer and a Commission staff  
accountant have submitted a joint memorandum recommending that the  
application be granted, subject to the provision that applicant's  
president file a stipulation waiving his rights to refunds on  
contracts for advances for construction held by him until appli-  
cant's books and records with respect to utility plant, deprecia-  
tion reserve, and advances for construction are corrected and

subject further to the provision that he waive any such refund rights until the level of advances for construction is below 50 percent of depreciated utility plant. Said memorandum is received as Exhibit No. 1.

The Commission finds that there is a public demand for applicant's water service to Tract No. 23445; applicant is ready, willing and able to furnish such service and except for restrictions imposed by Decision No. 59934 extension could be made contiguously pursuant to Section 1001 of the Public Utilities Code without seeking authority of the Commission; public hearing is not necessary; the staff recommendations are reasonable; and public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. a. The restriction against Great Western Water Service extending its water system outside its certificated area boundaries without further order of the Commission is lifted to the extent that applicant is authorized to extend its water service to and furnish water service in Tract No. 23445 in the City of Palmdale as shown on the maps attached to the application as exhibits.

b. The authority granted herein shall not become effective until receipt by the Commission of a written stipulation by Dr. Warren O. Wagner, applicant's president, waiving his refund rights on any contracts for advances for construction held by him until such time as the books and records of Great Western with respect to utility plant, depreciation reserve, and advances for construction are corrected and are approved by further Commission order.

c. The authority herein granted is further conditioned on Dr. Wagner's filing of a written stipulation waiving his refund

rights on contracts for advances for construction held by him until the level of advances for construction is below 50 percent of depreciated utility plant.

2. After the filing of the stipulations required by paragraphs 1.b. and 1.c. of this order, and not later than one year after the effective date of this order, applicant may file revised tariff sheets, including a revised tariff service area map, to provide for the application of its present Circle-C Rancho tariff schedule, Sheet 6-W, to said Tract No. 23445. Such filing shall be in conformity with General Order No. 96-A and the revised tariff sheets shall become effective the fourth day after the date filed.

3. Except for the authorization herein granted, the restrictions against extension of service imposed by the order in Decision No. 59934 shall remain in full force and effect.

4. Within sixty days after the effective date of the order in this proceeding, applicant shall file with the Commission two copies of a comprehensive map, or maps, drawn to an indicated scale of not more than 600 feet to the inch, delineating by appropriate markings the various tracts of land and territory served; the principal water production, storage, and distribution facilities; and the location of the various water system properties of applicant.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 1966.

George T. Hoover President  
Fredrick B. Hallock  
William W. Kewell Commissioners