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Decision No. 71823

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of GOSHEN LAND CO., INC., dba Sierra King Water Co., to extend water service to adjacent area.

Application No. 48738 Filed August 25, 1966

## $\underline{O P I N I O N}$

Applicant here seeks extension of its service area. Applicant's certificate granted by Decision No. 69696, dated September 21, 1965, in Application No. 47647, contained a provision that applicant could not extend service beyond the 23 lots in the original service area without Commission authorization. A report on the application and results of a field investigation prepared by an engineer of the Commission's Utilities Division, Hydraulic Branch, will be included in the record as Exhibit No. 1.

Applicant currently is serving five customers. It seeks to extend to Lot 6, Tract 439, Tulare County. This area is in Section 4, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, M.D.B.& M. The area is mountaincus and is a short distance east of the community of Three Rivers. Lot 6 contains 14.22 acres and it is proposed to divide it into 7 lots of about 2 acres each. It is contiguous to the present service area.

Applicant presently has a well and a 10,000-gallon pressure tank. A second well has been prepared to be activated when the number of customers reaches 10, as required by Decision No. 69696. Utility representatives informed the staff that they propose to install a storage tank in connection with the next extension into unserved area.

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The cost of the extension, including services to each lot and a fire hydrant is estimated at \$2,000. It is planned to finance this in accordance with applicant's filed main extension rule (No. 15).

Applicant proposes to extend its present rates to the new area.

The Commission finds that:

1. Public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted as set forth in the order following;

2. Applicant possesses the financial resources to operate the proposed system;

3. The rates set forth in applicant's recently filed schedules are fair and reasonable for the service to be rendered;

4. Applicant's water supply and distribution facilities will provide reasonable service for Lot 6, Tract 439, Tulare County, as well as its presently certificated area and substantially meet the requirements of General Order No. 103;

The Commission concludes that the sought certificate should be granted subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the following order.

The certificate of public convenience and necessity issued herein is subject to the following provision of law:

The Commission shall have no power to authorize the capitalization of the right to be a corporation, or the capitalization of any franchise or permit, or the right to own, operate, or enjoy any such franchise or permit, 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, permit, or right. No contract for consolidation or lease shall be capitalized, nor shall any public utility issue any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness against or as a lien upon any contract for consolidation or merger. A.48738 NB

A public hearing is not necessary.

## <u>O R D E R</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Authorization is granted to Goshen Land Co., Inc., doing business as Sierra King Water Co., to construct an extension of its public utility water system facilities to serve Lot 6, Tract 439, Tulare County, as shown on Exhibit A attached to the application.

2. After the effective date of this order, applicant is authorized to file revised tariff sheets, including tariff service area maps to provide for the application of its present tariff schedules to the area certificated herein. Such filing shall comply with General Order No. 96-A. The effective date of the revised tariff sheets shall be four days after the date of filing. The authority granted herein shall expire unless the designated tariff sheets are filed within one year after the effective date of this order.

3. Within ten days after service is first furnished to the public under the authority granted herein, applicant shall submit written notice thereof to this Commission.

4. Ordering paragraph 2 of Decision No. 69696, dated September 21, 1965, in Application No. 47647, is rescinded.

5. Applicant shall prepare and keep current the system map required by paragraph I.10.a of General Order No. 103. Within thirty days after the water system is placed into operation under the

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authority granted herein, applicant shall file with the Commission two copies of such map.

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

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