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Decision No. 71936

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of HESPERIA WATER COMPANY, a corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to extend its distribution facilities.

Application No. 49006 (Filed December 7, 1966)

## <u>OPINION</u>

Hesperia Water Company requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct an extension of its public utility water facilities in and near the community of Hesperia, San Bernardino County.

The extension as proposed will require approximately 1700 feet of 6-inch pipe, a 12-inch encasement under Bear Valley Road, two fire hydrants, gate valves and fittings, resulting in an estimated cost of \$7500. It will serve two bona fide applicants for service and will be constructed northerly along Cottonwood Avenue from the nearest existing 6-inch main to Bear Valley Road, thence westerly to its terminus at the intersection of Bear Valley Road and Oakwood Avenue, as indicated on the map of applicant's distribution system attached as Exhibit A to the application. The extension and rates for service therefrom are to be governed by applicant's tariff schedules presently on file with this Commission.

The proposed extension is minor in nature and quite similar to the extension of applicant's system recently authorized by Decision No. 70780 dated June 1, 1966, in Application No. 48252.

Pursuant to Decision No. 59281 dated November 17, 1959 in Case No. 6159 and Decisior No. 66209 dated October 22, 1963 in Case No. 6159, applicant is prohibited from extending its distribution facilities unless authorized to do so by further order of the Commission.

Applicant alleges that the proposed extension will not impair the quality of service rendered its existing customers, will increase its revenues, and will not burden its other rate payers. Unless the extension is made, the applicants for service therefrom would be required to drill wells and supply their own water. After investigation, the Commission staff recommends that the relief sought herein be granted.

The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted as set forth in the ensuing order. A public hearing is not necessary.

The certificate hereinafter granted shall be subject to the following provision of law:

The Commission shall have no power to authorize the capitalization of this certificate of public convenience and necessity or the right to own, operate, or enjoy such certificate of public convenience and necessity in excess of the amount (exclusive of any tax or annual charge) actually paid to the State as the consideration for the issuance of such certificate of public convenience and necessity or right.

The action taken herein is for the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity only and is not to be considered as indicative of amounts to be included in proceedings for the purpose of determining just and reasonable rates.

## ORDER

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is hereby granted to Hesperia Water Company to construct an extension to its public utility water facilities in the manner and location set forth in the application.
- 2. Hesperia Water Company may operate such main extension to provide water service to customers' premises so situated as to take service directly from, or to have service runs directly connected to, the extension.
- 3. Except for the departures authorized either herein or heretofore, the restriction against extension of service imposed by prior order of the Commission shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4. Within 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 tariff schedules to the extension certificated herein. Such filing shall comply with General Order No. 96-A and the revised tariff sheets shall become effective the fourth day after the date of filing.

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

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