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Decision No. 74448

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of CALIFORNIA CITIES) WATER COMPANY for a Certificate of) Public Convenience and Necessity) to extend its water corporation) operation in the vicinity of) San Dimas to serve a golf course.

Application No. 50139 (Filed April 4, 1968)

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Applicant requests authority to extend its water facilities and service to a golf course and clubhouse being developed by Vinnell-Pauley (a joint venture) in a ll6-acre portion of Tract 28653 and tentative Tract 23717, in applicant's San Dimas Division, Los Angeles County.

Applicant's predecessor, San Dimas-Charter Oak Domestic Water Company, was forbidden to extend to certain areas, including the one here involved, without further order of the Commission (Decision No. 66739, dated Yebruary 4, 1964, Application No. 45254 and subsequent decisions). The residential portions of Tract 28653 were recently certificated to applicant (Decision No. 73826, dated March 5, 1968, Application No. 49811) and the company plans to obtain authorization to serve the remaining portion of tentative Tract 23717.

A staff report on the application, dated June 12, 1968, hereby included in this record as Exhibit 1, indicates that: the application is unopposed; the requested service area, in applicant's opinion, is exempt from Los Angeles County franchise requirements; applicant's present and projected water supply and other facilities, detailed in the report, are adequate for existing and proposed needs, including Los Angeles County fire flow requirements.

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Estimated refundable costs of the extension, and of additional oversized storage capacity required by applicant for operating efficiency and to meet future demands in the Via Verde area, total \$146,235 (filed Tariff Rule No. 15, Main Extensions, Secs. C.2.b., C.2.c.). As proposed, applicant would bear one-third of the cost of the oversized storage reservoir (capacity 3,400,000 gals.) and the developer would advance, without refund, the estimated cost (\$475) of a fire hydrant to be owned by the County of Los Angeles. The staff report indicates that the pro forma ratio of advances to applicant's depreciated plant, as of December 31, 1967, would be less than 50 percent with the foregoing advances and those already pertaining to Tracts 28652 and 28653 (Decision No. 73826, supra).

Applicant proposes to provide a general metered and fire hydrant service in the requested area pursuant to its present San Dimas tariff schedules.

Upon consideration of the application and the staff report (Exhibit 1), the Commission finds that:

1. Applicant's proposal herein is reasonable.

2. Public convenience and necessity require and will require the extension by applicant of its water service to the golf course and clubhouse as located and described in the foregoing opinion.

The Commission, therefore, concludes that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity should be granted to applicant authorizing said extension of service, in accordance with the provisions of the ensuing order.

2. The existing restriction against extension by applicant of water service outside the boundaries of its service area, imposed by Decision No. 66739, supra, should be lifted to the extent required for rendition of the extension of service herein authorized.

A public hearing is not necessary.

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<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The restriction against California Cities Water Company extending its water service outside of the boundaries of its service area, as imposed by Decision No. 66739, is lifted to the extent that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to California Cities Water Company to extend its water system and operate a public utility water system to the golf course and clubhouse in the City of San Dimas located in Tract 28653 and tentative Tract 23717.

2. Within one year after the effective date of this order, applicant may file revised tariff sheets including revised tariff service maps to provide for the application of its present San Dimas schedules, except measured irrigation service, to the area certificated herein. 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 restriction against extension of service imposed by the order in Decision No. 66739 shall remain in full force and effect.

4. Applicant shall be relieved of the requirements of ordering paragraph 4 in Decision No. 73826 upon advising the Commission that

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it has executed a main extension contract to serve said golf course, clubhouse and Tracts 28652 and 28653.

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

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