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Decision No. _75060_

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of FRUITLAND WATER COMPANY, a corporation, for an order authorizing (1) the sale and transfer to the Sunny Mesa County Water District of public utility property of Applicant in the Sunny Mesa County Water District and (2) the discontinuance of all public utility service by Applicant.

Application No. 50625 (Filed October 17, 1968)

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Fruitland Water Company requests euthority to sell and transfer a water system in the Fruitland Subdivision of the Rancho Bolsa de San Cayetano in the County of Monterey to the Sunny Mesa County Water District.

As of July 1, 1968, applicant was serving 58 customers. The system assertedly has been operating at a loss and is presently inadequate to meet the needs of its customers.

The Sunny Mesa County Water District was formed on January 24, 1967, and includes all of the territory presently served by applicant.

The agreed cash consideration is \$4,617. The District agrees to assume the obligation of applicant under any main extension agreement and to make refunds of any deposits received pursuant to such agreements; however, any such deposits required to be refunded by the District would be deducted from the purchase price.

After consideration, the Commission finds that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest and upon consummation of the transfer that public convenience and necessity would no longer require applicant seller to serve within the area herein considered. A public hearing is not necessary.

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ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or before May 1, 1969, Fruitland Water Company may transfer to the Sunny Mesa County Water District the water system herein referred to according to the terms and conditions of the agreement attached to the application.

2. Within thirty days after the consummation of the transfer authorized by ordering paragraph 1 hereof Fruitland Water Company shall notify the Commission in writing of that fact and within said period shall file with the Commission a true copy of any bill of sale or other instrument of transfer which may be executed to effect said transfer.

3. Upon compliance with the conditions of this order, Fruitland Company shall stand relieved of its public utility obligations, and may discontinue service concurrently with the commencement of service by Sunny Mesa County Water District.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof. Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>1014</u>. day of <u>DECEMBER</u>, 1968.

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Commissioners

Commissioner William M. Bennett, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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