

Decision No. 75609

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of Antelope Valley Water Co. and Fred W. Austin and Joel W. Hurd, as executors of the Estate of Clarence A. Austin, deceased, for an Order (a) authorizing the dissolution of Lake Hughes Water Department (a privately owned and operating de facto water utility) and the transfer of its assets to Antelope Valley Water Co., (b) granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Antelope Valley Water Co., and (c) establishing rates for water service.

Application No. 48985

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

Ordering paragraph 8.d. of Decision No. 72293 dated April 11, 1967, in Application No. 48985 requires Antelope Valley Water Co., within 90 days after the effective date of the order, to install meters on 44 existing flat rate services.

Decision No. 74397 dated July 16, 1968, extended the time for compliance with said paragraph to December 31, 1968.

By letter received February 26, 1969, the utility states that it has metered 27 of these services but requests that it be relieved from the requirement of metering the remaining 17 services. The utility based its request upon information obtained from operating the system over a period of 18 months during which time complexities were disclosed which make it almost impossible to comply fully with paragraph 8.d. A field investigation by a staff engineer confirmed that the utility's request is reasonable and that meters for these remaining customers are not necessary; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that 17 flat rate services in existence February 19, 1969, are exempt from the phase out of unmetered services imposed by ordering paragraph 8.d. of Decision No. 72293, dated April 11, 1967.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of APRIL, 1969.

William J. Lyons, Jr.  
President

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Commissioners