

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 76035

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 SOUTHWEST WATER COMPANY, a Califor- )  
 nia corporation, for an order )  
 authorizing the transfer of a water )  
 pipeline and appurtenant facilities )  
 to the City of Cerritos pursuant to )  
 Interlocutory Judgment in Condemna- )  
 tion, and to discontinue water )  
 service. )

Application No. 51252  
 Filed July 17, 1969

O P I N I O N

Applicant asks permission: (a) to transfer 1,800 feet of presently noncirculating water pipeline and an appurtenant easement and other facilities, described in the application, serving one customer within the city limits of Cerritos in applicant's La Mirada District; (b) to discontinue service to that customer when the City is capable of providing similar service; and (c) to assume responsibility for retiring the remaining balance on the outstanding refund contract for installation of the facilities, based on revenue information to be supplied by the City. A \$125 customer deposit will be refunded when the line is transferred.

The City, pursuant to an action in eminent domain filed against applicant (City of Cerritos v. Southwest Water Company, et al., L. A. Co. No. 947,920), in which an interlocutory judgment in condemnation, for \$19,500, has been entered based on a written stipulation of the parties (Application, Exhibits A and B), proposes to connect the line to be acquired to its water facilities as they are extended into the adjacent area, to provide for a circulating system. Applicant will continue to supply water to the existing

service until the City completes installation of its system to connect with the line. Applicant alleges that transfer of the line to the City will not affect the water supply to the balance of its customers.

Applicant states that the approximate cost of the facilities condemned by the City is \$19,879, and has set forth other information relating to those facilities as follows (Application, page 2):

<u>Utility Plant Accounts</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Depreciation Reserve as of June 30, 1969</u>
Transmission Mains	\$17,753.43	\$1,601.55
Fire Mains	955.73	85.11
Services	476.78	22.26
Meters	693.86	114.25
Total Utility Plant	<u>19,879.80</u>	<u>1,823.17</u>

The Commission, after consideration of this application, finds that the proposed transfer will not be adverse to the public interest.

The Commission, therefore, concludes that this application should be granted.

The action taken herein shall not be construed as a finding of the value of the rights and properties herein authorized to be transferred.

A public hearing is not necessary.

### O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Southwest Water Company, after the effective date of this order, may transfer to the City of Cerritos the facilities and easement described in the application herein.
2. Southwest Water Company may discontinue service to the customer presently being served by the facilities and appurtenances

herein authorized to be transferred, concurrently with provision of similar service by the City of Cerritos.

3. Southwest Water Company, concurrently with inauguration of water service by the City of Cerritos, shall assume the responsibility of retiring the remaining balance on the outstanding refund contract for installation of the facilities herein authorized to be transferred, said refund payments to be based on revenue information to be supplied by the City.

4. Southwest Water Company, within thirty days after the date of actual transfer of said facilities and easement, shall transmit to the Commission a certified copy of the Final Judgment in Condemnation to be entered in the City's action in eminent domain, hereinabove described, and shall also, within said period, transmit to the Commission two copies of the journal entries used to record said transfer in its books of account.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of AUGUST, 1969.

William J. ...  
President  
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Commissioners