

Decision No. 76424

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Petition of CITY OF ORANGE, a
 municipal corporation, to have
 fixed the just compensation to
 be paid for the Santiago Water
 Company, a corporation, existing
 within and outside the boundaries
 of the City of Orange (and DOES 1
 to 10, both inclusive).

Application No. 51255
 (Filed July 18, 1969)

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 Houck, for the Commission staff.

INTERIM OPINION

The City of Orange, a municipal corporation, by a petition of the first class (Public Utilities Code, secs. 1401-1421), requests that the Commission fix the just compensation to be paid by petitioner for the lands, property and rights, described generally in the petition, comprising the public utility water system of Santiago Water Company, a corporation, situated within and immediately adjacent to the City of Orange, Orange County, California.

Petitioner alleges that it is its intention to acquire the sought properties under eminent domain proceedings, or other appropriate existing laws, for public use in connection with the operation and maintenance by petitioner of public works for the supply, transmission and distribution of water.

The Commission, on August 19, 1969, issued and duly served its order (Decision No. 76060 herein) directing said Santiago Water Company to appear before it on September 23, 1969 and show cause, if any it had, why the Commission should not proceed to hear the

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petition and fix such just compensation. A hearing on the show cause order was duly held at Los Angeles on September 23, 1969, and said order was thereupon submitted for decision without objection to the assumption of jurisdiction by the Commission and to its fixing of such just compensation.

The record shows that all procedural requirements provided by Sections 1406 and 1408 of the Public Utilities Code were completed prior to the return date of the order to show cause.

Accordingly, the Commission hereby takes jurisdiction of this proceeding and, after further proceedings, will fix the just compensation to be paid by petitioner for the sought properties.

An order is not necessary at this time.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day of NOVEMBER, 1969.

William J. Sproule
President
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Yuan L. Sturgeon
Commissioners