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Decision No. <u>76981</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of MORO WATER COMPANY for Authority to Discontinue Water Service as a Public Utility.

Application No. 51649 (Filed January 22, 1970)

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OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Moro Water Company seeks authority to discontinue water service as a public utility water company because its service area lies within the Fallbrook Public Utility District (District), San Diego County; District serves all of applicant's former customers, except two; said remaining customers are within the boundaries of District and can obtain water service by making application and paying certain connection fees and main extension charges; during the 12-month period ended December 31, 1968, applicant's income was \$443 and total operating deductions amounted to \$570, resulting in a net loss of \$127; and if this application is granted, the two remaining customers to whom applicant has discontinued rendering water bills, will be allowed to use applicant's water well and associated pumping equipment until land is sold providing that said customers pay the power bills, maintain the wells and pumps and repair the distribution facilities, and applicant will continue to pay property taxes on the land and personal property associated with the land until sold, all pursuant to the agreement, a copy of which is attached

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to the application as Exhibit B. Buyer of land will continue well service on mutual agreement.

Applicant further alleges that it has no outstanding advances for construction or customer deposits.

A report on an investigation of the application has been submitted by Commission staff engineer. It is received as Exhibit No. 1. The staff recommends that the application be granted.

We find that there no longer exists any requirement for public utility water service for Moro Water Company; mutually agreeable arrangements have been made for water service to applicant's two remaining customers who are eligible to receive water service from Fallbrook Public Utility District within whose boundaries their properties are located; and public hearing is not necessary.

We conclude that the application should be granted. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the application of Moro Water Company to discontinue water service as a public utility is granted; applicant is authorized to enter into the agreement attached to the application as Exhibit B; and applicant shall within ten days after the effective date hereof notify the Commission, in writing, of its discontinuance of water service and its relinquishment of its certificate of public convenience

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and necessity granted by Decision No. 44235, dated May 26, 1950, in Application No. 31131.

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

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Commissioner A. W. Gatov, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.