Decision No. 77107

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of UEHLING WATER CO. INC.,) for authority to acquire the assets) and service area of the H.J.S. MUTUAL) WATER COMPANY (partially within Comp-) ton, California); to have applicant's) filed tariff schedules apply within) such extended service area; and for) approval of the journal entry to) record the purchase of said Mutual.

Application No. 51755 (Filed March 6, 1970)

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

Uehling Water Co. Inc., presently rendering a public utility water service in the vicinity of Compton, Los Angeles County, requests authority to extend its service by purchase and acquisition of the assets of H. J. S. Mutual Water Company.

The H.J.S. Mutual Water Company serves an area consisting of 77 lots. The cash consideration for the entire system is \$5,500.

It is alleged that because of the small size of the mutual system, the lack of financing thereof and the difficulty in obtaining shareholder action or consent to the improvement of facilities and service, the shareholders determined it to be in their best interest to have an experienced water company provide service and that for some time the systems have been connected and applicant has, from time to time, supplied water to the mutual system during periods of water shortage.

Applicant proposes to apply to the extended area the same rates and charges presently applicable within its current service area.

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After consideration the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require applicant's service to the extended area. The Commission further finds that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest. A public hearing is not necessary.

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IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or before September 1, 1970, Uehling Water Co. Inc., is authorized to purchase and acquire the H.J.S. Mutual Water Company according to the terms set forth in the application and to extend its service to the area presently served by H.J.S. Mutual Water Company as delineated in Exhibit 4 attached to the application.

2. After the effective date of this order, applicant is authorized to file revised tariff sheets, including a revised tariff service area map, to provide for the application of its present tariff schedules to the area authorized herein. Such filing shall comply with General Order No. 96-A. The effective date of the revised tariff sheets shall be four days after the date of filing.

3. Compliance by applicant with paragraph 2 of this order shall constitute acceptance of the right and obligation to furnish public utility water service to the area covered by the transfer. The authority granted herein shall expire unless said notice is filed within eighteen months after the effective date of this order.

4. Within ten days after service is first furnished to the public under the authority granted herein, applicant shall file in this proceeding written notice thereof with this Commission.

5. Applicant shall prepare and keep current the system maps required by paragraph I.10.s of General Order No. 103. Within six

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months after the water system is placed in operation under the authority granted herein, applicant shall file with the Commission two copies of the maps.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

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