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Decision No. 77478

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY)

for orders relieving Applicant of)
the obligation to provide certain)
public utility water service, can-)
celling certain tariff sheets and)
for other relief.)

Application No. 51973
(Filed June 18, 1970)

O P I N I O N

Applicant is a corporation doing business in the County of Ventura as a public utility water company. On October 11, 1968 the City of Camarillo began eminent domain proceedings in the Superior Court of Ventura County (Superior Court Case No. 51022) seeking to acquire by condemnation certain lands, rights, and property used or useful in obtaining, storing, treating, disposing, and distributing water within the entire area served by applicant in Camarillo.

On or about July 1, 1970 the Superior Court entered its Interlocutory Judgment in Condemnation directing that upon compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein Camarillo shall be entitled to a Final Judgment and Order in Condemnation.

On or about July 1, 1970 Camarillo performed all acts required by the Interlocutory Judgment in Condemnation and took possession of the water system. A Final Order of Condemnation was entered and the property comprising applicant's water system serving Camarillo became vested in Camarillo.

Applicant requests an order relieving it of the obligation to render public utility water service in the Camarillo area served by the water system taken pursuant to condemnation, and that applicant's tariff sheets currently on file with the Commission be amended to delete any reference to service provided by applicant within that part of its service area which contains the property being condemned.

Applicant has made provision for 1) the refund of deposits heretofore made by its customers in order to secure payment of water bills, 2) the refund of amounts heretofore advanced to applicant by third parties for the construction of water system facilities, 3) the assumption by Camarillo of applicant's obligations to provide water service to the customers within applicant's service area, and 4) other incidental needs concerning the relationship of applicant to its customers.

A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require a continuation of applicant's service. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On the effective date of this order the operating authority and the duty to serve of the California-American Water Company in the City of Camarillo is revoked.

2. On the effective date of this order all maps, rates, and rules on file with the Commission and covering the service referred to in the application are canceled.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th
day of JULY, 1970.

[Signature]
Chairman

William [Signature]
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Commissioners

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

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.