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Decision No. 78250

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Earl B. and Ethel B. Marr dba TAHOE CEDARS WATER CO., Tahoma, California, to deviate from their filed tariff main extension rule to require a payment equal to the pro rata cost of the installation of new mains necessary to provide winter water service and to execute contracts for refund of advances.

Application No. 47446
(Filed March 29, 1965)

ORDER EXTENDING TIME

Ordering paragraph 1 of Decision No. 69693 dated September 21, 1965, authorized the utility to file a supplementary main extension rule for the purpose of developing a water system to serve winter customers. This supplementary rule differs from the normal main extension rule in that it does not provide for a free-footage allowance but it requires an applicant for winter service to advance to the utility the estimated reasonable cost of the extension to be actually installed from the utility's nearest winter service mains. Additional customers taking service from the same extension, advance the sum of \$200 per lot. Refunds are based upon 22% of the revenues received for winter customers and from a portion of the advances from new customers connecting to the system.

By Decision No. 70158 dated January 4, 1966, the above-described rule has been modified to allow the utility to use some of the money which otherwise would be refunded to winter customers for the construction of dead-end interconnections and to complete the main grid system. A five-year period, terminating January 1, 1971, has been established for the completion of this project and for the postponement of certain of the available refund monies.

By letter received December 14, 1970, Earl B. and Ethel B. Marr, owners of the utility, state that the plan to winterize their water system has proceeded successfully to date but request that the date of January 1, 1971 in this revised rule be changed to January 1, 1976. In 1965, applicants anticipated that all summer mains would be replaced by 1971; however, 40% of the winter mains in the less populated areas have yet to be installed.

The Commission finds that the request is reasonable; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The dates of December 31, 1970 and January 1, 1971 in revised subparagraph C.2.c.(2) contained in ordering paragraph 4 of Decision No. 70158 be changed to December 31, 1975 and January 1, 1976, respectively.

2. After the effective date of this order, Earl B. and Ethel B. Marr, owners, doing business as Tahoe Cedars Water Co., are authorized to file a revised Rule No. 15-A, Main Extensions - Winter Service, to include the two dates indicated in ordering paragraph 1 of this decision.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2nd day of FEBRUARY, 1971.

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Chairman

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Commissioners

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