Decision No. 78556

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of RANDSBURG WATER COMPANY for authorization to transfer its water system assets to RAND COMMUNITY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, Kern and San Bernardino Counties.

Application No. 52506 (Filed March 18, 1971)

## <u>opinion</u>

Randsburg Water Company, presently operating a public utility water system in Kern and San Bernardino Counties, requests authority to sell its system to the Rand Community County Water District, a political subdivision of the State of California.

The water system is located in a service area consisting of approximately 24 miles and encompasses the communities of Randsburg and Johannesburg in Kern County and Red Mountain and Atolia in San Bernardino County. The agreed cash consideration is \$61,000. On July 16, 1970, the District duly voted bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of acquisition of the system and for other costs of the District in connection with the development and improvement of the system.

Under terms of the agreement the District shall not be responsible for the obligations of the seller under main extension agreement, customer's deposits or advances in aid of construction.

A. 52506 af After consideration the Commission finds that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest and upon consummation of the transfer, that public convenience and necessity would no longer require applicant seller to serve within the area herein considered. A public hearing is not necessary. ORDER IT IS ORDERED that: On or before December 1, 1971, Randsburg Water Company may sell and transfer to the Rand Community County Water District the water system herein referred to according to the terms and conditions of the agreement attached to the application. Within thirty days after the consummation of the transfer authorized by ordering paragraph 1 hereof, Randsburg Water Company shall notify the Commission, in writing, of that fact and within said period shall file with the Commission a true copy of any bill of sale or other instrument of transfer which may be executed to effect said transfer. 3. On or before the date of actual transfer, Randsburg Water Company shall return to customers any refundable deposits made to establish credit and any amounts due as the result of outstanding main extension agreements or advances in aid of construction. Upon compliance with the conditions of this order, Randsburg Water Company shall stand relieved of its public utility -2-

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obligations, and may discontinue service concurrently with the commencement of service by the Rand Community County Water District.

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

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