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Decision No. 79057

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
 CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY,
 a corporation,
 for a certificate of public convenience
 and necessity to furnish water service
 to customers at the Chico Municipal
 Airport, for an order authorizing it to
 consolidate the Chico Municipal Airport
 water system with its Chico district for
 all purposes and for an order authorizing
 it to apply its Chico district rules and
 rates to water service at the Chico
 Municipal Airport.

Application No. 52717
 (Filed June 29, 1971)

O P I N I O N

California Water Service Company requests authority to extend service to customers at the Chico Municipal Airport.

The airport is presently being served by the City of Chico. The system was originally installed by the United States during World War II at the time the airport was a federally-owned military facility. After the war it was conveyed to the City of Chico. By Ordinance No. 954 the Chico City Council declared the property to be surplus and authorized the sale of the system to applicant for a cash consideration of \$25,000.

There are presently 37 customers, all classified industrial, served by the system. It is alleged that the city intends to limit occupancy of its land at the airport to industrial users so that all future customers will also be industrial.

Applicant plans to operate the system with existing personnel from its Chico district and intends to consolidate the system with its Chico district operations for all purposes including rules and rates. Applicant intends to eventually interconnect its Chico district with the airport operations.

After consideration the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the application. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. California Water Service Company is authorized to purchase and acquire from the City of Chico the water system serving the Chico Municipal Airport according to the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit 1 attached to the application.

2. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to California Water Service Company authorizing it to operate the public utility water system located at the Chico Municipal Airport.

3. After the effective date of this order, applicant is authorized to make applicable its filed tariffs and to file a tariff service area map clearly indicating the boundaries of the certificated area. Such filing shall comply with General Order No. 96-A. The tariff schedules shall become effective on the fourth day after the date of filing.

4.a. Exercise by applicant of the authority granted by Paragraph 3 of this order shall constitute acceptance by it of the right and obligation to furnish public utility water service within the area certificated herein. The authority granted herein shall expire unless the designated tariff sheets are filed within one year after the effective date of this order.

b. 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.

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5. Applicant shall prepare and keep current the system map required by Paragraph I.10.a. of General Order No. 103. Within 180 days after the water system is placed in operation under the authority granted herein, applicant shall file with this Commission two copies of such map.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th
day of AUGUST, 1971.

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Chairman
William Anderson Jr.
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Ernest L. Stungen
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Commissioners