

Decision No. 79239**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Amervale Service Corp., doing business as Amervale Service Corp., to sell and Harry C. & Ruth K. Wuner to buy the water system in American Valley, East Quincy, Plumas County.

Application No. 52850
(Filed September 7, 1971)

OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Amervale Service Corp. seeks authority to sell its water system^{1/} to Harry C. and Ruth K. Wuner. The buyers seek authority to enter into a long-term agreement for the purchase of said system.

The water system is located in American Valley, East Quincy, Plumas County and serves 50 customers at flat rates. The system consists of one deep well, a 325-gallons per minute pump, a 3,000-gallon storage tank and approximately 5,320 feet of pipe. Its original cost is reported to have been \$17,291 and its present net book cost is approximately \$9,750. The system operated at a loss of \$211.35 in 1970. The selling price is \$11,500 and the agreement of sale specifies a down payment of \$5,000 and the payment of \$6,500 at \$100 or more per month including interest at 7 percent per annum.

Buyers' financial statement, as attached to the application herein, shows a net worth of \$60,536 as of July, 1971. Buyers have not heretofore operated a water system but report that they will receive instructions relative thereto from the present manager of the system.

^{1/} The system was certificated on July 18, 1955 by Decision No. 51695 in Application No. 36867.

The Commission finds that:

1. A public hearing in this matter is not necessary.
2. Buyers have sufficient financial resources to acquire and operate the system.
3. The requested transfer will not be adverse to the public interest.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

The authorization herein granted shall not be construed as a finding of the value of the rights and properties herein authorized to be transferred.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or after the effective date hereof and on or before December 31, 1971, Amervale Service Corp. may transfer and sell to Harry C. and Ruth K. Wuner its public utility water system located in American Valley, East Quincy, Plumas County.

2. After the effective date of this order, and not less than five days before the actual transfer, purchasers shall file a notice of adoption of seller's tariffs. Such filing shall comply with General Order No. 96-A. The effective date of the notice of adoption shall be the date of actual transfer.

3. On or before the date of actual transfer, seller shall refund all customers' deposits and advances for construction, if any, which are due and payable as of the date of transfer. All unrefunded deposits and advances shall be transferred to purchasers, and purchasers shall be responsible for their refund when due.

4. On or before the date of actual transfer, seller shall deliver to purchasers, and purchasers shall receive and preserve, all records, memoranda and papers pertaining to the construction and operation of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

5. Within five days after the date of actual transfer, seller and purchasers jointly shall file in this proceeding a written statement, showing the date of transfer.

6. On or before the end of the third month after the consummation of the transfer as herein authorized, purchasers shall cause to be filed with the Commission, in such form as the Commission may prescribe, an annual report, or reports, related to the operations of the seller for the period commencing with the first day of the current year to and including the effective date of the transfer.

7. Upon compliance with all of the conditions of this order, seller shall stand relieved of its public utility obligations in the area served by the transferred system and may discontinue service concurrently with the commencement of service by purchasers.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day of OCTOBER, 1971.

William J. ...
 Chairman

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 Commissioners

Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.