Decision No. 79956

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of PATTERSON CITY WATER COMPANY, a California corporation, under Section 816-830 of the Public Utilities Code, for Authority to Issue Evidence of Indebtedness.

Application No. 53229 (Filed March 24, 1972)

OPINION

Patterson City Water Company seeks an order of the Commission authorizing it to issue an unsecured note in the principal amount of \$3,000. The proceeds would be used substantially as follows:

pickup truck license	\$2,800 200
	<u>\$3,000</u>

Applicant is a California corporation furnishing water service in Patterson and vicinity in Stanislaus County. At December 31, 1971, it reports total assets of \$220,936, offset by liabilities and common stock equity in respective amounts of \$88,140 and \$132,796.

The proposed note would be issued in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., and would be repayable in three annual installments of \$1,000, with interest payable quarterly at a rate per annum equal to 1/2% above the prime rate charged from time to time by said bank.

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After consideration the Commission finds that: (1) the proposed note issue is for proper purposes; (2) the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the note herein authorized is reasonably required for the purposes specified herein; and (3) such purposes, except as otherwise authorized for the payment of tax and license, are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income. On the basis of these findings we conclude that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

The authorization herein granted is for the purpose of this proceeding only and is not to be construed as indicative of amounts to be included in proceedings for the determination of just and reasonable rates.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Patterson City Water Company, on or after the effective date hereof and on or before July 31, 1972, may issue a note in the principal amount of not exceeding \$3,000, which note shall be in substantially the same form as Exhibit B attached to the application.

2. Patterson City Water Company shall use the proceeds from the note issue for the purposes specified in the application.

3. Patterson City Water Company shall file with the Commission the report required by General Order No. 24-B, which order, insofar as applicable, is hereby made a part of this order.

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4. This order shall become effective when Patterson City Water Company has paid the minimum fee prescribed by Section 1904(b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is \$50.

18th Los Angeles Dated at _ California, this day of APRIL , 1972. Charl sioners PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STATE OF CALIFORNIA APR 20 1972