

Decision No. 81260**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
 of SUBURBAN WATER SYSTEMS, a)
 California corporation, for)
 permission to issue new common)
 stock certificates.)

Application No. 53900
 (Filed March 16, 1973)

O P I N I O N

Suburban Water Systems seeks authority to issue certificates representing 149,922 shares of its \$5 par value common stock in exchange for certificates representing 49,974 shares of \$10 par value common stock.

Applicant is a California corporation furnishing water service to approximately 45,000 general metered customers in two areas referred to as the San Jose Hills area and the Whittier area, in the County of Los Angeles.

By an Amendment of Articles of Incorporation filed with the California Secretary of State on September 20, 1972, each share of the company's \$10 par value common stock became three shares of \$5 par value common stock. In order to evidence the common stock split and change of par value the utility proposes to issue new common stock certificates to its shareholders in exchange for the presently outstanding common stock certificates and to transfer \$249,870 from the Capital Surplus account to the Common Stock account.

After consideration the Commission finds that: (1) the proposed issue of stock certificates is for a proper purpose; (2) the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the stock certificates herein authorized is reasonably

required for the purpose specified herein; and (3) such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income.

On the basis of the foregoing findings we conclude that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary. The authorization herein granted is not to be construed as a finding of the value of applicant's stock or properties, nor 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. Suburban Water Systems may issue certificates representing 149,922 shares of its \$5 par value common stock in exchange for certificates representing 49,974 shares of \$10 par value common stock, and may transfer as of December 31, 1972 \$249,870 from the Capital Surplus account to the Common Stock account to reflect the aggregate increase in par value of its common shares.

2. Suburban Water Systems 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.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of APRIL, 1973.

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Vernon L. Sturgeon
President
William J. Lyons
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Commissioners