

Decision No. 83557

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
OLEMA WATER SYSTEM, a Corporation,
and NORTH MARIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT,
a public body, for an order authorizing
(1) transfer to North Marin County
Water District of title and possession
of the operating utility properties of
Olema Water System, and (2) discontin-
uance of service by Olema Water System
in the community of Olema, Marin
County, California.

Application No. 55013
(Filed July 3, 1974)

O P I N I O N

Olema Water System (Olema), a California corporation, has applied for authority to transfer its entire water system to the North Marin County Water District (District) and to discontinue service as a public utility. The District is also listed as an applicant, although as a public agency it is not subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

Olema operates a public utility water system in the unincorporated community of Olema in Marin County. The value of the water system as of April 30, 1974 is listed as \$21,065.07, less an \$11,427.00 reserve for depreciation, which leaves \$9,638.07. Income from water sales totaled \$1,100.07 from January 1 to April 30, 1974. Expenses were \$1,888.95, resulting in a net loss of \$788.88. Olema represents that there are no customer deposits on file for either water service or construction of facilities. Applicants have agreed on a purchase price of \$6,500.00 to be paid in cash on the transfer date.

The District is a County Water District duly formed and existing pursuant to the County Water District Law of the State of California and is engaged in furnishing water for domestic and industrial purposes in the incorporated portion of Marin County known

as Point Reyes Station, which is close to the community of Olema. The entire Olema system is within the area presently served by the District and the latter will continue the service to the Point Reyes National Seashore Park Headquarters, formerly provided by Olema.

After consideration the Commission finds that:

1. The proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest.

2. With reasonable certainty the project involved in this proceeding will not have a significant effect on the environment.

3. The application should be granted.

A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or before January 1, 1975, Olema Water System may sell and transfer the water system referred to in the application to North Marin County Water District, according to the terms and conditions attached to the application.

2. On or before the date of actual transfer seller shall refund all customers' deposits for the establishment of credit, if any, which are subject to refund.

3. Within ten days after the completion of the transfer seller shall notify the Commission, in writing, of the date of transfer, of the refunding of the deposits, and of the date upon which purchaser shall have assumed operation of the water system. A true copy of the instruments of transfer shall be attached to the notification.

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4. Upon compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this order, seller shall be relieved of its public utility obligations in connection with the water system transferred.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th day of OCTOBER, 1974.

Vernon L. Strayer
President
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Commissioners