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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the ownership, rates, operations, service, maintenance, facilitiés, equipment, water supply, billing practices, and records of GREAT WESTERN WATER SERVICE, a corporation, and JERRY L. COLE and WARREN O. WAGNER, individuals, and MICHELLE ENTERPRISES, LTD., a corporation.

Case No. 9242 (Filed June 29, 1971)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

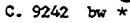
The Commission opened this investigation into the ownership, rates, management, operations, service, maintenance, facilities, equipments, water supply, and records of respondent Great Western Water Service et al. (Great Western) on June 29, 1971. After two days of hearing before Examiner Catey in Palmdale on October 13 and 14, 1971, interim Decision No. 79658 was issued ordering progress reports on the status of negotiations for the transfer of all or portions of the three systems operated by Great Western to nearby water purveyors.

Great Western serves three separate districts in the Antelope Valley near Palmdale, Los Angeles County: the Westmont District, Little Rock Farms, and Palmdale Acres.

The Westmont District was sold to the Palmdale Irrigation District in 1973 (Decision No. 80805 dated December 12, 1972 and Decision No. 83348 dated August 27, 1974 in Application No. 53648); the Little Rock Farms system has been operated by the Los Angeles County Water District No. 33 since 1974 which has notified the Commission of its intention to complete the acquisition as soon as possible.

Palmdale Acres is located in the area of the Palmdale International Airport. It served a maximum of 12 customers and, except for

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a few parcels, the entire area is now owned by the Los Angeles International Airport. Palmdale Acres no longer serves any customers and will not serve any in the future as all land in its service area will be devoted to airport expansion.

By the sale of the Westmont District, operation of the Little Rock Farms system by the Los Angeles County Water District, and acquisition of the service area of Palmdale Acres by the Los Angeles Airport Commission, the respondents are no longer operating as a public utility, and no further action is required by this Commission.

Under the circumstances the Commission concludes that Case No. 9242 should be dismissed.

IT IS ORDERED that Case No. 9242 is dismissed, and the tariffs of Great Western Water Service are canceled.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day of AUGUST, 1975.

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