Decision No. <u>84953</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ANDREW URBANCZYK,

Complainant,

vs.

CITIZENS UTILITIES COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA,

Defendant.

ORDER DENYING INTERIM RELIEF

Complainant alleges that he is building a residence in Montara, California within the service area of defendant.

Complainant alleges that defendant demands a deposit of \$1,565.00 to extendits mains to connect with complainant. Complainant contests both the propriety of a main extension deposit in his situation and the amount thereof. He also indicates that arranging for financing of the sum in question, pending resolution by the Commission, would create an unnecessary hardship, as would renting a residence until such time as the Commission has resolved the issues in this proceeding and water is available at the new home.

The Commission does not believe that the complaint indicates such immediate irreparable injury as would warrant an order requiring defendant to extend it facilities without a main extension deposit pending resolution of issues of the complaint. The main extension rules for water utilities were

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created to share the burden of new extensions between the new customer and the utility. We do not find sufficient allegations within the complaint as filed which would prompt us to deviate from these rules without hearing. Complainant's request for interim relief will be denied.

IT IS ORDERED that complainant's request for interim relief is denied. This ruling should not be construed as any indication of the ultimate determination of this complaint after hearing.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>30²¹⁰</u> day of <u>SFOTEMBER</u>, 1975.

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Commissioners