

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 85675

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PAUL CLIFFORD MILLIKEN,

Complainant,

vs.

ANTELOPE VALLEY WATER COMPANY and  
DOMINGUEZ WATER CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Case No. 9787  
(Filed August 26, 1974)

ORDER MODIFYING DECISION NO. 83995

Decision No. 83995, dated January 21, 1975, continued in force a moratorium on adding customers imposed by Defendant's Advice Letter No. 21, effective August 31, 1974. The moratorium was implemented because there appeared to be an adequate water supply for only existing customers.

The staff investigation and representations of the defendant now indicate that the presently available potable water supply is less than forty percent of normal summer demand due to the recent drought and the resultant mining of water.

A new permanent adequate supply will not be available until summer 1977. Therefore, it appears action must be taken now to conserve the existing supply and improve the future supply within economically feasible limitations. The conservation actions should be responsive to both the availability of water and the customers' requirements.

Therefore, as a temporary emergency measure, we shall order the defendants, in addition to the moratorium continued by the above decision, to perform the actions as set forth in the ordering paragraphs modifying the said decision, subject to further order.

IT IS ORDERED that Decision No. 83995 is amended by addition of ordering paragraphs as follows:

4. Defendant shall constrict with an orifice all customer meters, except Leona Valley Elementary School and the Warner Trailer Park which will be restricted to inside use only. The orifice will reduce the flow capability of the meters to less than five gallons per minute.

5. Defendant shall make a representative available to assist customers in implementing this conservation effort.

6. If the conservation effected by the orifice is insufficient to balance the available supply, the orifice may be further reduced and agricultural use prohibited. Customers having only agricultural use may be allocated off-peak water hours consistent with their share of water supply and flow rate of the constricted meter.

7. Defendant shall report in writing, prior to June 1, 1976, on the feasibility of demineralizing the non-potable water from the unused well.

8. Defendant shall, on a monthly basis, report to this Commission, in writing, the status of water supply and a description of all service cutages.

9. Defendant shall distribute a copy of this order to each customer.

Because of the impending emergency with which this order is designed to cope, the effective date shall be the date hereof.

Any party to this proceeding who wishes to protest may do so within ten days of the effective date of this order, setting forth the grounds of his protest and the need, if any, for a formal hearing.

The Executive Director is directed to mail a copy of this order to all parties in this proceeding.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 1976.

William J. Quous President  
Thomas J. Stinger  
Robert B. Baker Commissioner

Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.