

Decision No. 85747

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Joint Application
of MILDRED ENSIGN and RANDOL R. PURVIANCE
the Guardianship of BETH R. PURVIANCE
(MRS. BRUCE R. PURVIANCE) doing business
as Linden Water Service (aka Linden Water
Works) to sell and LINDEN COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT to buy the water system in
San Joaquin County

Application No. 56353
(Filed March 25, 1976)

O P I N I O N

Mildred Ensign and Randol R. Purviance, Guardians of Mrs. Beth R. Purviance, (sellers) seek authority to transfer the entire water system to the Linden County Water District, (purchaser) a public agency in San Joaquin County, and to discontinue service as a public utility.

Seller operates in and about Linden, California, serving approximately 239 customers. The total purchase price of the system is \$165,000 plus the amount, as yet undetermined, they spend to repair pump 1-A.

Purchaser agrees that if this transfer is authorized it will continue to serve water in the territory now served by seller.

Seller desires to transfer the system as the cost of necessary improvements is beyond the capability of the present ownership. Purchaser desires to acquire the system to improve the service provided and to extend into adjacent areas. Purchaser also operates a domestic sewer system in the same geographical area.

Sellers and purchaser warrant that:

1. Purchaser will refund customer deposits when due.
2. There are no outstanding main extension advances.

An election to authorize the purchase of the system by the issuance of revenue bonds was held on November 4, 1975. The purchaser also notified all the customers, by mail, of the proposed transfer. No protests to the proposed transfer have been received.

The Commission finds that the proposed transfer will not be adverse to the public interest. We further find with reasonable certainty that the project involved in this proceeding will not have a significant effect on the environment. A public hearing is not necessary. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:


1. On or before July 1, 1976, Mildred and Randol R. Purviance, the Guardians of Beth R. Purviance (Mrs. Bruce R. Purviance) may sell and transfer the water system and other assets referred to in the application to the Linden County Water District according to the terms and conditions attached to the application.


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


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

The effective date of this order is twenty days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this
27th day of APRIL, 1976.



President




Commissioners