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ORDER EXTENDING TIME

By Ordering Paragraph 10 of Decision No. 84527 dated June 10, 1975 in Case No. 9530 and Application No. 53653, we directed the staff of our Finance and Accounts and Utilities Divisions to investigate California-American Water Company's (Cal-Am) finances and its relationship to its parent corporation, American Water Works Company, insofar as these subjects affect the adequacy of the water supply of Cal-Am's Monterey District. We also directed our staff to investigate the rate structure of the Monterey District. The report or reports of these investigations were required to be filed June 30, 1976.

By a memorandum dated June 11, 1976, the Utilities Division requested that the due date for the staff reports be extended to August 13, 1976, which date is ten days in advance of the hearings in Case No. 9530 set for August 23, 1976. The Utilities Division, in support of its request, states that, at the last hearings held in May of this year, water conservation became a major issue in this case. The Utilities Division also states that a decision in Cal-Am's Application No. 54942 for a rate increase is still pending and the rates ordered in that proceeding must be the basis for any rate restructuring in this case. The Utilities Division therefore requests that it be given additional time to evaluate both of these factors.

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A copy of the Utilities Division's request was sent to all parties to the case and no protests have been received.

The reasons stated by the Utilities Division are persuasive and inasmuch as no useful purpose would be served by requiring submission of the reports so far in advance of the scheduled August hearings, we will grant the request of the Utilities Division and extend the time for the filing of the required reports until August 13, 1976.

IT IS ORDERED that the time limit for compliance by our staff with the directive of Ordering Paragraph 10 of Decision No. 84527 is extended to August 13, 1976.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>29</u>Th day of <u>JUNE</u>, 1976.

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