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Decision 92-04-020 April 8, 1992

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order instituting investigation)
into the future desirability)
and necessity of annual service)
charges payable in advance to)
water companies.)

I.84-11-013
(Filed November 7, 1984)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Investigation (I.) 84-11-013 was instituted to consider the validity of annual water charges payable in advance to water companies regulated by the Commission. In Decision (D.) 86-05-066, the Commission ordered all water companies which required advance annual payments to also provide optional quarterly payment plans.

In D.86-09-037, we granted limited rehearing of D.86-05-066. The rehearing was limited to the question of whether the optional quarterly payment plan requires (1) an increase in authorized expenses, (2) a change in collection and disconnect charges, (3) an increase in uncollectible allowances, or (4) a revenue recovery mechanism for additional investment in plant.

Rehearing was held in March 1987 before Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Levander. However, ALJ Levander retired in 1990, and a decision was never issued. Despite the fact that a decision on rehearing was not issued, few water companies now have annual charges, and those with such charges have successfully implemented a quarterly payment option. Therefore, the matters for which rehearing was granted are now moot.

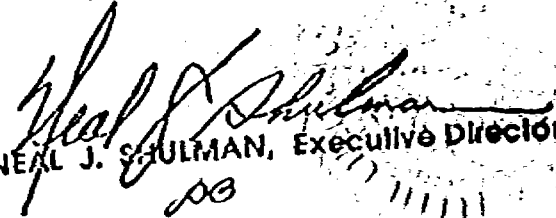
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IT IS ORDERED that upon the Commission's own motion,
Investigation 84-11-013 is closed, effective today.

Dated April 8, 1992, at San Francisco, California.

DANIEL Wm. FESSLER
President
JOHN B. OHANIAN
PATRICIA M. ECKERT
NORMAN D. SHUMWAY
Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE
COMMISSIONERS TODAY


NEAL J. SCHULMAN, Executive Director