

Decision No. 86747**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's  
own motion into the operations,  
practices, service, equipment,  
facilities, rules, regulations,  
contracts and water supply of the  
MONTEREY PENINSULA DISTRICT OF  
CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY,  
a corporation.

Case No. 9530  
(Filed April 3, 1973)

SIXTH INTERIM OPINIONBackground

By Decision No. 86270, this Commission established water rationing Phase 1/2 for the California-American Water Company's Monterey Peninsula District. This Phase 1/2 directed that landscape watering by hose should be restricted to the hours of 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on alternate days. This plan has been in effect since August 17, 1976.

Discussion

Phase 1/2 was initiated on daylight saving time. With the advent of standard time the hours of 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. are mostly in darkness. Several recommendations have been made to the Commission staff that the evening hours be changed to permit watering during daylight. Complainants state that they are unable to see to do the watering, plus some are afraid to be outside in the dark. Variances have been granted to the aged and infirm, on request, for suitable hours. Changing the standard time hours to 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. would give approximately an hour of light, and also permit workers some available time after returning from work. This change appears reasonable and should be adopted.

Finding



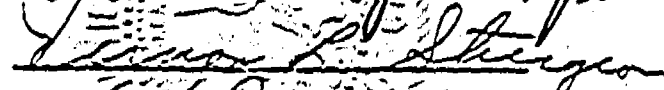
The landscape irrigation hours of 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. specified for Phase 1/2 of the Monterey District Water Rationing Plan are appropriate for daylight saving time only. During periods when standard time is in effect, the landscape irrigation hours should be 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SIXTH INTERIM ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that paragraph (a) of Appendix A of Decision No. 86270 dated August 17, 1976 in Case No. 9530 is amended to add after "5 p.m. to 7 p.m." the words "during daylight saving time, and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. during the period standard time is in effect".

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of DECEMBER, 1976.

  
President  
  
Vernon L. Sturgeon  
  
Robert Bateman  
Commissioners