

Decision No. 88150 NOV 29 1977

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Skuli Bjornsson, Applicant, for exemption from the provisions of Decision No. 84527 for permit moving water meter with house from one lot to adjacent lot.

Application No. 57605
(Filed October 3, 1977)

O P I N I O N

By this application, Skuli Bjornsson (applicant) requests to have the water meter moved at the same time his house is moved from 5 Mar Vista Drive to the lot at 11 Mar Vista Drive, Monterey.

California-American Water Company (Cal-Am), in compliance with Ordering Paragraph 4 of this Commission's Decision No. 84527 dated June 10, 1975 in Application No. 53653 and Case No. 9530, has refused to move the meter from applicant's house to the adjacent lot.

In Decision No. 84527, the Commission found, among other things, that:

"Cal-Am's Monterey District has reached the limit of its capacity to supply water and, except as provided in the order that follows, no further consumers can be supplied from the system of such utility without injuriously withdrawing the supply wholly or in part from those who have heretofore been supplied by the corporation."

and in Ordering Paragraph 4, pursuant to Section 2708 of the Public Utilities Code, ordered:

"Until otherwise permitted by further order of this Commission, California-American Water Company shall not provide water to new service connections within its Monterey Peninsula District, other than those in municipally sponsored redevelopment or renewal projects, unless, prior to the effective date of this order, a valid building permit has been issued."

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The opinion in Decision No. 84527 contains a description of the events and conditions that caused the Commission to impose the service restriction.

Applicant owns and rents the house and owns both lots. Applicant has leased the site of the house for a parking lot, plans to move the house to the vacant lot, and has approval of the city of Monterey to do so.

If the water meter is not moved, the house will have to be demolished, causing a loss of rental income and of housing. There is no additional use of water involved in this situation.

Absent the restriction of Decision No. 84527, Cal-Am would move the meter as requested.

Finding

It is reasonable to grant an exception to Ordering Paragraph 4 in Decision No. 84527 dated June 10, 1975 to authorize Cal-Am to move the water meter from 5 Mar Vista Drive to 11 Mar Vista Drive, Monterey, to provide water service to applicant's house after it is moved and ready to be occupied. After the move water service shall not be provided to the lot at 5 Mar Vista Drive.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that, as an exception to Ordering Paragraph 4 of Decision No, 84527 dated June 10, 1975 in Application No. 53653 and Case No. 9530, California-American Water Company is authorized to accept an application from Mr. Skuli Bjornsson to provide water service to his house after it is moved and ready to be occupied at 11 Mar Vista Drive, Monterey. After the move water service shall not be provided to the lot at 5 Mar Vista Drive.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of NOVEMBER, 1977.

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President
William Johnson
Vernon L. Sturgeon
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Commissioners