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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Charles Douglas
for an order authorizing sale
and transfer to applicants
of all of the outstanding stock
of Bodfish Water Company, a
public utility.

Application No. 59239
(Filed October 24, 1979;
amended November 1, 1979,
March 24, 1980 and
July 7, 1980)

Albert A. Webb Associates, by Reginald H. Knaggs,
for Charles Douglas; and Leon Singleton and
Bill Singleton, for Bodfish Water Company;
applicants.
Dorothy Godfrey, for Canyon Heights Owners
Association, Inc., interested party.
Robert M. Mann, for the Commission staff.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

By this application authority is sought to transfer 3,559 shares of capital stock of Bodfish Water Company from E. Leon Singleton and E. W. Singleton (sellers) to Charles Douglas and Donna M. Douglas, his wife (buyers), for an agreed sum of \$20,000 payable in cash.

Bodfish Water Company is a public utility furnishing domestic water to Tracts Nos. 3049, 3541, 3542, and 3543 in the Bodfish area of Lake Isabella, Kern County.

By letters dated November 15 and December 28, 1979, the Canyon Heights Owners Association, Inc. filed a petition signed by 11 owners of lots in Tract No. 3049 and advised the Commission of the problems they had experienced with the Bodfish Water Company.

A prehearing conference was held at Lake Isabella on June 12, 1980. The homeowners were provided an opportunity to get together with the present owners of the water company and with the proposed future owners to work out their problems. A stipulation was arrived at by the parties wherein it was agreed that the homeowners would have no objection to the transfer of control of the water company to the prospective purchasers; it was also stipulated that the new owners would undertake to repair a specified road; take necessary corrective action to reduce and/or eliminate air in the lines; that a reasonable notice would be given to the customers for scheduled interruption of service, and that an employee would be trained to qualify for the certificate of water works operator. It was also agreed that the work would be done within 90 days after the effective date of the authorization to transfer control. Lastly, it was agreed that a hearing was not necessary and the transfer could be granted ex parte. Said stipulation was filed in written form on June 26, 1980 and is received as Exhibit 1.

By its amendment on July 7, 1980 financial statements for the period ended December 31, 1979 and a 1979 pro forma income statement were provided, as well as a brief of the sales agreement between buyers and sellers.

On August 1, 1980 a written request was received from the buyers requesting that their application to acquire the stock

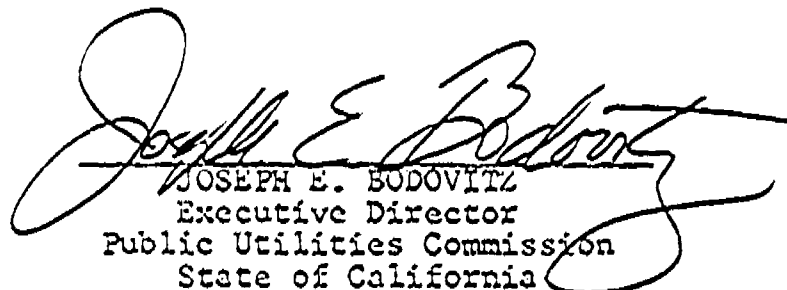
of Bodfish Water Company be dismissed and no further action be taken upon it.

IT IS ORDERED that Application No. 59239 is dismissed.

This order is issued pursuant to Section 308 of the Public Utilities Code and Resolution No. A-4638.

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

Dated August 19, 1980, at San Francisco, California.


JOSEPH E. BODOVITZ
Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
State of California