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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Fred Coleman, Steven Wallace,  
Larry L. Vaughn and Ruth Dargitz,

Complainants,

vs.

Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association,

Defendant.

Case 12-03-017  
(Filed March 14, 2012)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING STAY**

This ruling grants the June 14, 2012 motion of Defendant, Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association, for a stay of the proceeding.

Complainants filed this complaint on March 14, 2012, stating that this Commission should regulate the water provided by Defendant. In a status report filed on August 29, 2012, Defendant explained that it is working with the County of Tuolumne to form a Community Services District and when that entity is formed, Defendant will transfer its water system to the Community Services District. At the telephonic prehearing conference held on September 11, 2012, Complainants explained their preference that Defendant transfer its water system to the Tuolumne Utilities District. This Commission does not regulate the Tuolumne Utilities District and would not regulate any Community Services District that might be formed. Defendant is also considering whether to form a

mutual water company or an investor-owned water utility. The latter would be regulated by this Commission.

It is reasonable to stay this proceeding to allow the parties to negotiate further, to work with the County to either form a Community Services District, or to transfer the system to the Tuolumne Utilities District, and to consider the most reasonable and cost-effective way to ensure that water continues to be provided to the lot owners of the subdivision in Tuolumne County known as the I.O.O.F. Odd Fellows Sierra Camp Subdivisions 1 and 2. In the interest of judicial economy and efficiency, I therefore stay this proceeding and remove evidentiary hearing scheduled for October 8, 2012, from the calendar.

Parties shall file status reports on November 9, 2012, and January 11, 2013. A second telephonic prehearing conference will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. I encourage the parties to file and serve joint status reports, but individual status reports are acceptable. The status reports should include the following information:

1. The status of efforts to settle this Complaint.
2. The status of the proceedings before the Tuolumne County Local Agency Formation Commission regarding Defendant's efforts to form a Community Services District, including the timeline and anticipated next steps, or the status of the transfer of the water system to Tuolumne Utilities District, the associated timeline, and anticipated next steps.
3. Verification that water continues to be provided to lot owners and that the water assessment is being paid.

Therefore **IT IS RULED** that:

1. The June 14, 2012 Motion for Stay filed by Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association is granted.

2. Parties shall file and serve status reports, as delineated herein, on November 9, 2012, and January 11, 2013.

3. A telephonic prehearing conference (PHC) shall be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Parties may participate in the PHC by calling the toll-free number: 1-877-347-9604 and entering 771069 when prompted for the Participant Code.

4. The evidentiary hearing scheduled for Monday, October 8, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. is removed from the calendar.

Dated September 24, 2012, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ANGELA K. MINKIN

Angela K. Minkin  
Administrative Law Judge