CALIFORNIA CODES PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 2725-2729 Mutual Water Company Information

2725. As used in this chapter, "**mutual water company**" means any private corporation or association organized for the purposes of delivering **water** to its stockholders and members at cost, including use of works for conserving, treating and reclaiming **water**.

2726. As used in this chapter, "private irrigation plant" means a **water** system which is not operated by a **mutual water company** or by a public utility as defined in Part 1 (commencing with Section 201) or in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 2701).

2727. In order to increase the output of agricultural products in this State during the time the United States is a party to war or to a state of war, the owner of any private irrigation plant may deliver **water** to others, or any **mutual water company** may deliver **water** to others than its stockholders or members, with or without compensation, without becoming a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the commission.

2728. The delivery of **water** pursuant to Section 2727 is subject to the following restrictions:

(a) Until a **mutual water company** fills the **water** orders of its stockholders or members pursuant to its constitution, bylaws, or rules, it shall not deliver **water** to others.

(b) The temporary service authorized by Section 2727 shall not continue for more than six months after the war need has ceased.

(c) Before any temporary service of water is made a statement

shall be filed with the commission stating the private irrigation plant or **mutual water company** rendering the service, the party receiving it, the land irrigated, and the rate, if any, charged for the service.

2729. A **mutual water company** may exercise the power of eminent

domain for **water**, **water** rights, canals, ditches, dams, poundings, flumes, aqueducts, and pipes for irrigation of lands furnished with **water** by such **company**.