

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

The City of Santa Monica,
a municipal corporation,

Complainant,

vs.

Southern Counties Gas Company
of California, a corporation,

Respondent,

ORIGINAL

Case 1867.

The City of Venice,
a municipal corporation,

Complainant,

vs.

Southern Counties Gas Company
of California, a corporation,

Respondent.

Case 1932.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION ON PETITION FOR REHEARING.

Southern Counties Gas Company of California, respondent in these proceedings, has filed with the Railroad Commission a petition for rehearing in these matters alleging that the rates fixed by the Commission's Decision No. 12889 are inadequate to provide a reasonable return upon the investment. Decision No. 12889 was issued under circumstances which in effect make it an ad interim order, inasmuch as the Commission's Engineering Department is at this time preparing an inventory and valuation of the gas properties in the Western District of Southern Counties Gas Company, upon which permanent rates may be fixed. We believe that in view of this situation further investigation of this matter should

be postponed until the valuation is completed, and that the rates fixed in Decision No. 12889 should become effective pending such further and complete determination.

The Commission has noted that through inadvertence its Decision No. 12889 failed to set forth the date upon which it was to become effective and by which time the new schedule of rates should be filed. The effective date and date for filing of schedules should be December 31, 1923.

O R D E R.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition for rehearing in the above entitled proceedings, filed by Southern Counties Gas Company of California be, and the same is hereby denied.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the paragraphs of Decision No. 12889 reading -

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Schedule No. 5 A of Southern Counties Gas Company for the sale of gas in its Western District for domestic and commercial purposes be revised as set forth below and be made effective for all regular meter readings taken on and after the _____ day of _____ 1923."

AND

"IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Southern Counties Gas Company file with the Railroad Commission on or before the _____
_____ schedule of rates set forth."

Be amended to read as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Schedule No. 3 A of Southern Counties Gas Company for the sale of gas in its Western Dis-

trict for domestic and commercial purposes be revised as set forth below and be made effective for all regular meter readings taken on and after the 31st day of December, 1923.

AND

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Southern Counties Gas Company file with the Railroad Commission on or before the 31st day of December, 1923, the schedule of rates above set forth.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day of December, 1923.

C. A. Seavey

H. B. Bunnell

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J. T. Whitting