Decision No. 16043.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application )
of GREAT WESTERN POWER COMPANY OF )
CALIFORNIA to sell and the PACIFIC )
GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY to purchase )
a certain pole line in the City of )
Piedmont.

Application No. 12,331.

Chaffee E. Hall, for Great Western Power Company of California.

C. P. Cutten, by R. W. DuVal, for Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

DECOTO, COMMISSIONER:

## OPINION

The application in this matter and the evidence as submitted at the public hearing held on it show that Great Western
Power Company of California is operating and maintaining an electric distribution system in the City of Oakland and adjacent territory but that it has no franchise nor legal right to operate such
a system in the City of Piedmont. The City of Piedmont, as well as
adjacent territory, is served by Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

In the course of its business and the extension of its service to the inhabitants of the territory adjacent to the City of Piedmont, Great Western Power Company, through inadvertence, constructed a line across the city boundary into the City of Piedmont and at the time of filing the application herein had commenced service to five domestic consumers.

It has been agreed that Great Western Power Company shall sell and Pacific Gas and Electric Company purchase for \$250.00 the poles, wire, etc. involved in this line but exclude transformers and meters. Pacific Gas and Electric Company operates throughout the City of Piedmont and in territory not far from the five consumers effected by this transfer. Its rates are the same as those of Great Western Power Company and it is in a position to give equally good service. The proposed transfer effectively and conveniently clears up the question of illegal operation and will not result in any detriment to the consumers concerned nor to the general public. I recommend the following form of order:

## ORDER

Great Western Power Company of California and Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the former to sell and the latter to purchase for the sum of \$250.00 a certain pole line located in the City of Piedmont and more particularly described in the application in this matter, public hearing having been held and the Railroad Commission being of the opinion that such transfer should be authorized,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

- 1. Great Western Power Company of California be and it is authorized to sell and Pacific Gas and Electric Company to purchase that certain electric line located on Estates Drive in the City of Piedmont and more particularly described in the application in this matter.
- 2. The price at which such property is authorized to be transferred shall not be urged as a finding by this Commission of the value of such property.

3. The authority herein granted shall become effective from the date of this order and shall apply to such transfer of said property as may be made before June 1, 1926.

The foregoing opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the opinion and order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

March Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>1 nd</u> day of February, 1926.

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Commissioners.