Decision No. 17/05.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of SIERRA AND SAN FRANCISCO POWER COM-PANY, a corporation, and PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation, for an order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California under Section 50 (a) of the Public Utilities Act granting to applicants a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, operate and maintain the electric transmission line described in this petition.

Application No. 12,822.

R. W. Duval for Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
Chickering and Gregory, by W. C. Fox, for
Sierra and San Francisco Power Company.
Jas. F. Pollard for Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company.
Leo H. Susman for Coast Counties Gas and Electric Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

Sierra and San Francisco Power Company and the lessee of this property, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, join in this application for an order of the Railroad Commission declaring that public convenience and necessity require the construction by applicants of a transmission line from Manteca, San Joaquin County, to Salinas, Monterey County.

The Sierra Company owns a hydro-electric plant on the Stanislaus River from which power is transmitted over a 104 K.V. transmission line to San Francisco with intermediate substations at Manteca and Port Marion. From Port Marion a 60 K.V. transmission line runs in a general southwesterly direction to San Juan and

Salinas. Service is supplied at San Juan to Coast Counties Gas and Electric Company and Old Mission Portland Cement Company, and at Salinas to Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company. The requirements of the Coast Counties and Coast Valleys Companies have been steadily increasing until they can no longer be supplied by the 60 K.V. line from Port Marion. To supplement this line, a direct line from Manteca to Salinas is to be built and it is this latter line which is covered by the present application. All of the property of the Sierra Company referred to herein is now operated by the Pacific Company under a fifteen year lease.

The Engineering Department of the Railroad Commission has been in touch with the conditions referred to and the record in the present case shows the necessity for constructing the proposed line in order to meet increases in the sale of electricity. The proposed line will be used for transmission purposes only and there are involved no questions regarding competition or service to new territory. The record shows that the matter of county franchises is not before the Commission in this proceeding and that the finding desired by applicants is as to the necessity for the construction of the proposed line and does not relate to the adequacy of existing franchises.

ORDER

Sierra and San Francisco Power Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for an order under Section 50-A of the Public Utilities Act declaring that public convenience and necessity require the construction and operation by Pacific Gas and Electric Company as lessee of an electric transmission line from Manteca, San Joaquin County, to Salinas, Monterey County, a public hearing having been held and the matter

being duly submitted,

The Railread Commission Hereby Certifies and Declares that public convenience and necessity require the construction and operation by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, lessee, of a 104 K.V. electric transmission line from Manteca to Salinas.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13 7/2 day

of July , 1926.

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Commissioners.