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Decision No. 18734 .

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of)
THE CALIFORNIA OREGON POWER COMPANY,)
a corporation, for an order of the)
Railroad Commission of the State of)
California, authorizing it to merge)
or consolidate its system with that)
of Sutherlin Light and Power Company,)
a corporation.)

Application No. 13954.

Erobeck, Phleger and Harrison, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

Application has been made to the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing The California Oregon Power Company to purchase, for \$12,000.00, the properties of Sutherlin Light and Power Company, and to merge or consolidate its plants or system with that to be purchased from Sutherlin Light and Power Company.

Section 51 (a) of the Public Utilities Act of the State of California reads, in part, as follows:-

"No public utility shall henceforth, . . . by any means whatsoever, directly or indirectly, merge or consolidate its railroad, street railroad, line, plant or system, or other property or franchises or permits or any part thereof, with any other public utility, without first having secured from the Commission an order authorizing it so to do."

The application shows that The California Oregon Power Company is engaged in the electric and water public utility business in California and in Oregon and Sutherlin Light and Power Company in the electric utility business in and about the City of Sutherlin, Douglas County, Oregon. Although all the properties of the latter are located within the State of Oregon it seems that because of the provision of the Public Utilities Act applicant has elected to file this application with this Commission for approval of the transaction.

The Commission has given consideration to the application and is of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted, as herein provided, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The California Oregon Power Company be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase, for \$12,000.00, the properties of Sutherlin Light and Power Company and to merge and consolidate such properties with its plant and system, such authority to become effective upon the date hereof.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of ~~August~~^{September}, 1927.

Ernest
Deaney

Thos. J. Powell
M. A. Cunniff

Commissioners.