

Decision No. 19166**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Investigation
upon the Commission's own Motion for
the Revision and Modification of
General Order No. 50 of the Railroad
Commission of the State of California.

Case No. 2401.

J.W. Jourdon, for San Joaquin Light and Power
Corporation.

LOUTTIT, COMMISSIONER:

O P I N I O N

This is a proceeding initiated by the Commission for the purpose of revising and modifying its existing General Order No. 50, which provides for the submission to the Commission of plans for the construction of dams by public utilities.

A public hearing in this matter was held at San Francisco on November 10, 1927, after all public utilities affected by the proposed modification of said General Order were duly notified and given an opportunity to appear and be heard.

The existing General Order No. 50 was approved and made effective on the eighth day of October, 1917, being in words and figures as follows:

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no public utility shall begin the construction of any dam without first having submitted to the Railroad Commission the plans and specifications thereof in order that the Railroad Commission may inquire into the safety of the contemplated structure, and shall have received from the Railroad Commission its approval of such plans and specifications as to safety."

It is proposed to revise and modify this order to read as follows:

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no public utility shall begin the construction, reconstruction, alteration or repair affecting the stability or safety of any dam without first having submitted to the Railroad Commission the plans and specifications thereof, in order that the Railroad Commission may inquire into the safety of the contemplated structure or existing structure as affected by the proposed reconstruction, alteration or repair, and shall have received from the Railroad Commission its approval of such plans as to stability or safety."

No protests to this modification were made either prior to or at the hearing, and it is recommended that the former General Order No. 50 be modified and revised as above set forth.

The following form of order is suggested.

O R D E R

The Commission having initiated this proceeding for the purpose of revising and modifying its General Order No. 50 heretofore approved and made effective on the eighth day of October, 1917, a public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission being now fully advised in the matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the present General Order No. 50 of this Commission be and it is hereby modified and revised to read as follows:

GENERAL ORDER NO. 50 A.RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIAIN THE MATTER OF SUBMITTING TO THE RAILROAD COMMISSION
PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC UTILITY DAMS.

Approved December 23, 1927 Effective January 23, 1928.

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no public utility shall begin the construction, reconstruction, alteration or repair affecting the stability or safety of any dam without first having submitted to the Railroad Commission the plans and specifications thereof, in order that the Railroad Commission may inquire into the safety of the contemplated structure or existing structure as affected by the proposed reconstruction, alteration or repair, and shall have received from the Railroad Commission its approval of such plans as to stability or safety."

The effective date of this order shall be thirty (30) days from and after the date hereof.

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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23 day of December, 1927.

Ernest A. Smith
Chas. J. Smith
Leon Whitehall
Wm. H. Smith
W. H. Smith
 Commissioners.