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Decision No. 20151

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of THE SOUTHERN SIERRAS POWER COMPANY for a revaluation of its properties and a revision of its rates.

In the Matter of the Investigation ) on the Commission's Own Motion into ) the Rates, Charges, Classification, ) Contracts, Practices, Rules and ) Regulations of Southern Sierras Power ) Company, a corporation.

Case No. 2541.

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Application No. 11743.

BY THE COMMISSION:

## INTERLOCUTORY ORDER.

On August 17, 1928, The Southern Sierras Power Company, applicant in Application No. 11743, above entitled, and whose rates are under investigation in Case No. 2541, above entitled, filed with this Commission certain proposed reductions in certain of its rates, asking that said rate reductions be allowed to go into effect on September 9, 1928, this being less than the statutory notice period and thus requiring special permission from this Commission.

Inazmuch as these proposed rates involve rate schedules under consideration and investigation in the within formal proceedings, we shall direct the filing of a copy of said proposed rates in the file of these proceedings, in order that the record thereof may be complete as to the rate structure of said public utility.

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Application No. 11743 is an application for a revaluation of this company's properties and for an adjustment of its rates, the evidence presented by said company indicating that, if a return upon its claimed valuation is sought, a revision of rates upwards is desired. Case No. 2541 was instituted by this Commission upon its own motion and comsolidated for hearing with said Application No. 11743, in order that the issue of possible rate reductions, as well as of rate increases, might formally be brought before us.

This company now having voluntarily offered for filing rate schedules which will, in our opinion, reduce its revenues to the extent of approximately \$175,000.00 during the coming year, we will grant the necessary authority to place the same in effect, as prayed, subject to whatever bearing such reductions may have upon the said pending proceedings; wherefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a copy of the said proposed rate schedules, numbered and entitled as follows:

> L-1, L-12, L-19, L-20, C-1, C-5, P-4, P-30 and P-31

be incorporated in the file of these proceedings; and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that The Southern Sierras Power Company be and it is hereby authorized to place the said rates in effect upon its system on September 9, 1928, the said proposed rates being hereby approved and ordered filed in the records of this Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>24</u><sup>FH</sup> day of <u>August</u>, 1928.

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