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Decision No.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Investigation
 on the Commission's own motion of
 the reasonableness of certain pro-
 posed rules for overhead line con-
 struction for the State of Cali-
 fornia, in revision of General Order
 No. 64 of this Commission.

Case No. 2475.

CARR, COMMISSIONER:

OPINION

This is an investigation, on the Commission's own motion, for the purpose of insuring greater safety to persons engaged in the construction, maintenance, operation or use of overhead electric lines and to the public in general.

Proposed rules or standards of Overhead Line Construction prepared under the Commission's supervision and direction and embodying modifications of the Commission's General Order No. 64, certain requirements of chapter 499, Statutes of 1911, as amended by chapter 600, Statutes of 1915, and various other requirements pertinent to service and safety were submitted in evidence at the hearing in this proceeding in the form of a proposed general order.

The consensus of opinion of all interested parties was favorable to the revision of General Order No. 64, and no evidence was presented in opposition to the revision as a whole.

However, many suggestions were offered, resulting in certain changes and modifications of the original draft. The application of this proposed order as now submitted will promote uniform and higher standards of construction and will insure more adequate service and greater safety to persons engaged in the construction, maintenance, operation or use of overhead electric and communication lines and to the public in general.

I recommend the following form of order:

O R D E R

An investigation having been instituted on the Commission's own motion into the reasonableness of certain proposed rules for overhead line construction for the State of California, in revision of General Order No. 64 of this Commission, a hearing having been held and the matter submitted and ready for decision,

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby finds as a fact that the proposed rules and regulations for overhead line construction as modified and set forth in this Commission's General Order No. 64 A are reasonable and just and that compliance with the same will result in improved service and greater safety.

Basing its order on the above finding of fact;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

(1) All construction, reconstruction and maintenance of overhead electrical supply and communication lines coming within the jurisdiction of this Commission done on and after

March 1, 1929, shall conform to the Rules for Overhead Electric Line Construction prescribed by the Railroad Commission of the State of California, in its General Order No. 64 A.

(2) General Order No. 64 A is hereby approved and ordered effective March 1, 1929, from which date General Order No. 64 shall no longer be in force or effect.

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 17th day of December, 1928.

C. S. Lewis

James D. ...

W. J. ...

 Commissioners.