Decision No. 20900

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

-000-

In the Matter of the Application of the CITY OF STOCKTON, a municipal corporation, to ascertain the value and to fix and determine just compensation to be paid to Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a corporation, for the acquisition by said City of Stockton of the system of distribution of water belonging to said Pacific Gas and Electric Company and all the appurtenances and appliances used in connection with or part of said distributing system wherein the said City of Stockton and adjoining territory used in the distribution of water to the inhabitants and consumers thereof.



Application No. 7231

C. P. Cutten and R. W. DuVal for Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

J. L. Johnson for the City of Stockton.

SEAVEY, Commissioner:

OBINION

On November 21, 1922, by Decision No. 11,256, this Commission made and filed its finding of the just compensation to be paid by the City of Stockton to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for all of the lands, properties and rights of said company used for the production and distribution of water to the consumers of said Company in said City.

On December 5, 1923, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company filed an application requesting from this Commission an order (1) finding that the City of Stockton has failed diligently

to pursue its rights under Section 47(b) of the Public Utilities Act, (2) determining that the findings as to just compensation shall no longer be of any force or effect, and (3) determining the reasonable expenditures necessarily incurred by the Pacific Cas and Electric Company in said proceeding, which, in the opinion of this Commission, should be assessed against the City of Stockton. The Commission directed the City of Stockton to appear and show cause why an order should not be issued in conformity with this request. Subsequently, the City of Stockton filed an Answer to said application and to the said Order to Show Cause alleging substantially that the City had proceeded with said matter diligently, and requesting that the said Order to Show Cause and the application be dismissed.

A public hearing was held before me, and after the filing of briefs the matter was duly submitted, and is now ready
for decision.

It appears from the record that the City of Stockton has never initiated proceedings for the purpose of submitting to its voters the proposition whether or not the lands, property and rights of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company should be acquired. In the face of this I cannot hold other than that the City has failed to diligently pursue its rights conferred upon it under and by the statute.

During the course of the proceedings the Attorney for the City urged that because the Company had transferred its properties to the California Water Service Corporation prior to the hearing of this Supplemental Application that it had thereby lost its right to recover costs. The record shows that this transfer was made subsequent to the filling of this application for recovery. It seems clear that while the Pacific Gas and Electric Company was the owner of the properties here involved it necessarily incurred certain expenses in connection with these proceedings which appear to be reasonable. What the statute contemplates is the finding by the Commission as to the reasonable expenditures necessarily incurred by the owner which should be assessed against the political subdivision. I conceive it to be the duty of the Commission to determine the expenditures incurred by the corporation owning the properties at the time such expenditures were incurred.

I recommend the following order:

ORDER

An application having been filed in the above-entitled proceeding by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company requesting an order (1) finding that the City of Stockton has failed diligently to pursue its rights under Section 47(b) of the Public Utilities Act, (2) determining that the findings as to just compensation shall no longer be of any force and effect, and (3) determining the reasonable expenditures necessarily incurred by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company in said proceeding, which, in the opinion of this Commission, should be assessed against the City of Stockton;

A public hearing having been held thereon, the matter having been duly submitted, and being now ready for decision,

THE RATHROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY FINDS AS A FACT that the City of Stockton has failed

diligently to pursue its rights under Section 47(b) of the Public Utilities Act by its neglect to exercise the rights granted to it under and by Decision No. 11,256 of this Commission dated November 21, 1922; and

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY FURTHER FINDS AS A FACT that the following expenditures were necessarily incurred by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company in the above-entitled proceeding, which expenditures are hereby declared to be reasonable and which should be assessed against the City of Stockton:

Month Expens	50.	- 7 2	- C-7	Expenses	: Total
Incurred	:Employee	:Department	Salary :	Expenses.	
1921	. * 62	Com Tax motor	4E 23		48 23
AUGUSI	A.V.Olsen	SanToaquin		_	185 18
	J. T.Ryam	Ex-Engineer	792 70		330 33
SERTRIVISER	J.T.Ryan	tt .	217 38	64 20	281. 58
	P.S.Booth		133 34	95 63	228 97
	W. Evans	Ex.Engineer	162 96	84 33	247 29
	J. L.Rivers	m T	61 11	93 15	154 26
	R.D.Shee	₩.	88 89	103.45	192 34
	E. J. Collins	*	61 11	91.85	152 96
	A. D.McVay	*	55 56	17 06	72 62
	Myrtle Allard	**	3 69	-	3 69
	M.J. Gensterd	# # # #	5 55	, -	5 55
	R.V.Wilson	#	6 48		5 4 8
•	W.Debronner	#	-	65	65 ,
			= 00	_	5.00
OCTOBER	R.W.DuVel	Rate Dopt	5 00	- TOO	65 58
	E.J.Collins	Ex.Engineer	59 58	5 00 5 05	65 53
	J.L.Riwers	₩	59 58	5 95 77 00	17 00
	J.T.Ryan		-	17 00 8 75	95 42
	R.D.Shee	11	86 67	8 73	39 122
	P.S.Booth	Anditing	39 L2	-	69 56
	F.F.Elliott	Ex. Enginee	x 69 56		25 09
	W.Evens	₩	26 09	-	60 96
	A.K.McNamera	T	60 96	-	
	R.V.Wilson	#	7 28	-	7 28
NOVEMBER	Lena Kessler	Ex Ingineer	4 00		4 00
	Ellen Donoboe		4 OO:	-	4 00
	F.F.Elliott	<u> </u>	99 80	-	99 80
	J Otis	#	9 38	-	9 38
	R.W.DuVel	Rate Dept	10 00	-	10 00
DECEMBER	R.H.Bertolecci			-	20 19
		ىت تىنىنى ئىنىنىدىنىدىرى. 14	15 39	-	15 39
	W.Evens	 Tt	18 46	~ ·	18 46
	R.D.Shea	₩	36 15	24 96	121 11
	J.T.Ryen	4	مبد باد		

Month Expen Incurred	: Employee	:Department:	Salary	: Expense	s: Total
1922				25 00	~~ ^^
JANUARY	R.L.Bertolecci	Ex-Engineer	2I 00	13 98	34 98
	W. Evens	#	96 00	19 02	115 02
	M.J. Genstad	#	54 00	~	54 00
	K_K_McNemere	₩.	43 20	-	43 20
	A.D.McVay	m	20 00	-	20:00
	D.Tripp	₩	2I 00	-	21 00
	R.V.Wilson	TT TT	7 00	_	7 00.
	J.T.Ryan	n	216 66	-	275 66
,	R.D.Shea	". ***		23 15	23 15
		-	<u>-</u>	13 45	13 45
	R.W.DuVal	Rate Dept.	-	10 A)	20 20
FEBRUARY	C.Bailey	Ex.Engineer	2 00		200
T. THE COURT OF	E-Donoime	#	2.00	-	2 00
•	W.Evens	* *	126 09		126 09
		Ĥ	84 78	-	84 78
	M.J.Gaustad	<u></u>	59 78	_	59 78
	T-A-Hopkins	**	78 26		78 26
6	A.K.Mc Nemera	<u> </u>			65 22
	A.D.McVay	17 17 18	65 22	~	
	D-Tripp		114 12	~	114 12
	J.T.Ryan	*	21.7 38	•	21.7 38
1000	J.Strauss	î	8 00		8 00
MARCH			19 44		19 44
,	R.L.Bertolacci	"		_	9 25
	E.C.Bredin	<u> </u>	9 25	_	
	N.Connor	π.	29 17	- ,	29 17
	E-Donobue	. #	10 00	- ,	10 00
	W. Evens	#* #*	153 00		163 00
	M.J.Genstad	Ť.	111 11	-,	\vec{m} \vec{n}
	T.A.Hopkins	**	40 74	-	40 74
	A. Lilley	#	16 00	-	16 00
	A.K.McNamara	19 10 10 10 17	53 34	-	53 34
	A.D.McVay	₩	185 19		185 19
	D. Tripp	Ÿ	26 70	-	26 70
·	Irona White	*	17 04	_	17 04
	J.T. Ryem	*	231 47	15 07	245 54
	Railroad Commi	coion fom	~~~ ~*	-~ ·	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
				43 20	43 20
	Transcript of	, cosciminty	_	20 60	- A-C - C-C
PRIL.	R.W.DuVal	Rate Dept.	12 00	-	12 00
- Arreston	E.Donohoe	Ex.Engineer		-	18 00
. • •	A. Jensen	**	28 00	_	22:00
	A. Lilley	· **	18 00	- ,	18 00
	J. Strauss	77	16 00		16 00
		** ***	32 00		32 00
	C. Bailey	~		-	15 00
	E. C.Bredin	it ♣	15 00	_ ,	
	M. Comor	77 ~	8 40		8 40
	W. Evens	₩	104 00		104 00
	T.A. Hopkins	#	33 00		11 00
	A.K.McNamara	性《 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲 · 铲	14 40		14 40
	J.T. Ryan	17	249 99	24, 92	274 91

Month Expen	: Employee	:Department :	Salarv	: Exmanse	= Total
1922		, .			- 1000
MAY	R.W.Du Val	Rate Dept.	108,00	· _	108 00
	C.P.Cuttem	₩	225 00	-	225 00
	A.Lilley	Ex.Engineer	12 00		12 00
	C.Bailey	₩	12 00	-	12 00
	E.C.Bredin	# (9 62	• •	9 62
	M.Connor		4 04	/ 	4 04
	E. Donohoo	TE -	2 00		200
	W. Evens	Ţ.	165 38	10 20	175 48
	T.A. Hopkins		42 30	 .	42 30
	A.K. McNamere J. Stranss	#	48 46		48 46
	Trene White		18.00		IS 00
	J.T.Ryan	<u> </u>	19 90		19 90
	Railroad Commi	inadan dan	256 40	-	256 40
	Transcontat comm	ession for			
	Transcript of F.W.Le Ballist	. testimony tier-services an	- ₹	24 30	24 30
	expenses as a	appreiser	-	96 85	96 85
TENTE	R.W.DuVel	Pote Bend	** **		
- 6464	C.P.Catten	Rate Dept	24 00	-	24 00
•	E. Donohoe	The The of a con-	100 00	-	100 00
	J. Strenss	Ex.Engineer	4 00	-	4 00
	W. Evens	**	4 00	-	4 00
	A.K.McNamara	∺	184 61	17 11	201 72
	J. T. Ryan	#	13 85	~	13 85
	J. W. Hall	San Joaquin	256 40		273 86
	Railroad Commi	ession for	_	7 84	7 84
	Transcript of	Proceedings	_	64 65	64 65
JULY	R.W.DoVel	Rate Dept.	42 00	-	42 00
• •	C.P.Cutten	# "	75 00	··•	75 00
	W.Evens	Ex.Engineer	46 16		46 16
	J.T.Ryant	*	112 18	9 25	121 43
	Geo. H. Bragg				
		tion & Operin	16 50	10 00	26 50
aucust	J.T.Ryan	Ex.Engineer	154 31		154 31
SPRIMBIMPOR	R.W.DuVel	Rate Dept.	48 00	_	
	C.P.Cutten	m mobile.			48 00
	W.Evens	Er.Engineer	25 00 91 66		25 00
	Irene White	***************************************	26 35		104 29
	J.T.Ryam	' <u>w</u>	208 33		26 35
	Drafting Job #	2552	200 00	6	208 33
	Map of Stocki	on		at .	
	Pumping Prope	erty Engineering		22 39	22 39
OCTOBER	R.W.Dovel	Rate Dept.	06.00		
•	C.P.Cutten	man na najves	96. 00		96 00
	N.Connor	Ex. Engineer	50 00		50, 00
	W.Evens	th was a ware with the contract of the contrac	202 15 39		2 02
	Irene White	17	6 63 6 63		15 39
	J.T.Ryan	**	112 18	15 70	6 63
	F.C. Hermann fo	r services and	مد عبد	77 40	127 88
	expenses in r	reperation and			
	mesentation	of report	-	768 60	neo eo
	Goo.H.Bragg	Electrical Con	S=	,00	768 60
		struction & Op	era-		
		tion	16 50	10 00	0¢ ¢4
					25 50

	: Employee	: Department	· 	Salary+	:Expenses:	Total
DECEMBER DECEMBER	R.W.DuVal C.P.Cutten	Rate Dept.		24 00 25 00	-	24 00 25 00
	TOTAL.	. **	7	099 60:	1 852 65:8	952 25

and the

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that the findings as to just compensation as contained in the said Decision No. 11,256 shall no longer be considered of any 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 22 day of 1929.