

Decision No. 21057

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of  
NOVATO UTILITIES COMPANY, a corpora-  
tion, and PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC  
COMPANY, a corporation, for an order  
of the Railroad Commission of the  
State of California authorizing the  
former to file and place in effect  
the revised schedules of electric rates  
and charges, and the rules and regula-  
tions referred to in this application.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 15529.

C. P. Cutten and R. W. Du Val,  
for Applicants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding, Novato Utilities Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Company ask the Railroad Commission to make its order authorizing the former to file and place in effect certain revised electric rate schedules, rules and regulations in lieu of electric rate schedules, rules and regulations now in effect.

A hearing in this matter was held in San Francisco on April 30, 1929, before Examiner Williams. No one appeared to protest the granting of the application.

Rudolph Jenny, assistant rate engineer of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, testified that the general effect of the proposed schedule of rates would be a reduction to all consumers as a group, approximating Four Thousand (4,000.) Dollars per annum, although some very slight increases in the bills of a limited number of consumers would result. Witness further testi-

fied that the proposed rates, rules and regulations were those in effect within comparable territory served by Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The proposed rates, rules and regulations are set forth in detail in Exhibits "A" and "B", filed with and made a part of the application.

The Commission has considered the schedules which applicant proposes to place in effect and, since Novato Utilities Company is in fact owned by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and since these schedules will have the advantage of placing the territory served by Novato Utilities Company upon the same basis as comparable territory served by Pacific Gas and Electric Company with a very material decrease in rates to consumers as a whole, we are of the opinion that this application should be granted.

#### O R D E R

Novato Utilities Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the former to file and place in effect certain electric rate schedules, rules and regulations, public hearings having been held, the matter having been submitted and being ready for decision, and the Railroad Commission being of the opinion that such authority should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective with bills based on regular monthly meter readings taken on and after May 15, 1929, Novato Utilities Company be and it is hereby authorized to charge and collect for electric service, the rates set forth in Exhibit "A", filed with and made a part of the application, such rates to be filed with this Commission on or before May 15, 1929.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Novato Utilities Company be and it is hereby authorized to file and place in effect

on or before May 15, 1929, the rules and regulations set forth in Exhibit "B", filed with and made a part of the application.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1929.

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Commissioners.