

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 21228.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of  
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a  
corporation, for an order of the  
Railroad Commission of the State of  
California authorizing applicant to  
withdraw and cancel the electric  
rate schedules and rules and regula-  
tions applicable to service in the  
territory comprising the former  
Eureka Division of the Western  
States Gas and Electric Company and  
to make effective in said territory  
the schedules of electric rates and  
charges and rules and regulations  
herein referred to.

Application No. 15592.

C. P. Cutten and N. R. Sutherland, for  
Applicant.

James H. Henderson, City Attorney, for  
City of Eureka.

L. O. Wolters, for Golden State Milk  
Products Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Pacific Gas and Electric Company asks the Railroad Commission for its order authorizing applicant to withdraw and cancel electric rates, rules and regulations now in effect in the territory comprising the former Eureka Division of the Western States Gas and Electric Company and to place in effect, in lieu thereof, certain revised rates, more particularly described in Exhibit "A" accompanying the application, together with rules and regulations now in effect in the remainder of its territory. A hearing in the matter was held in Eureka on May 29, 1929, before Examiner Williams. No one appeared to protest the

granting of the application.

At the opening of the hearing applicant asked permission to modify the application by amending the proposed general power schedule so as to include provisions for cumulative annual minimum charges for seasonal service identical with those accorded to similar service in its other divisions.

Rudolph Jenny, Assistant Rate Engineer of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, testified that the general effect of the proposed schedules of rates would be a reduction to general lighting consumers, general power consumers and to domestic combination consumers as groups amounting to approximately \$86,920.00 per annum. Some slight increases in the bills of a limited number of consumers will result.

The proposed schedules, though slightly higher, are of the same form and approach very closely the rates of applicant applying to similar service in its other divisions.

The proposed street and highway lighting schedule L-13 will nominally supersede existing schedules 7-E, 8-E and 9-E, but, since these three schedules were originally designed to meet specific conditions not common to this class of service, it will be necessary to continue them as deviations until the specific conditions shall have disappeared and to apply the proposed schedule to new consumers only.

Existing Schedule No. 12-E applying to intermittent or temporary service will be withdrawn, no consumers now being served thereunder.

The Commission has considered the rates, rules and regulations which applicant proposes to put into effect, and, since they will place this Division on a basis only slightly higher than elsewhere in Pacific Gas and Electric Company's territory and result in a very material decrease to consumers as a whole, we are of the

opinion that this application should be granted.

O R D E R

Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing it to file and place in effect in its Humboldt Division certain rate schedules, rules and regulations, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been submitted and now 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 June 25, 1929, Pacific Gas and Electric Company be and it is hereby authorized to charge and collect for electric service in its Humboldt Division the rates set forth in Exhibit "A" filed with and made a part of this application, such rates to be filed with this Commission on or before June 25, 1929.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company be and it is hereby authorized to file and place in effect in its Humboldt Division on or before June 25, 1929, the rules and regulations now in effect throughout the other divisions of its territory.

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1929.

David L. Smith

W. J. Seaver

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Commissioners.