

Decision No. 22422

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, a California corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise certain franchise rights in the City of Delano, County of Kern, under franchise applied for by applicant.

ORIGINAL
Application No. 16277.

L. T. Rice, for Applicant.
C. P. Cutten, for Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
R. L. Vaughan, Natural Gas Corporation of California and Consumers Gas Company.

WEITSELL, COMMISSIONER:

O P I N I O N

In this application Southern California Gas Company asks the Railroad Commission of the State of California for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, authorizing it to exercise the franchise rights under franchise which it contemplates securing from the City of Delano, County of Kern, State of California, covering the distribution and sale of gas in said city.

At public hearings held at San Francisco, California, on February 25, 1930, and March 19, 1930, witness for applicant testified that a survey had been made of Delano which indicated that some five hundred and eighty-nine (589) consumers could be secured to whom natural gas service could be rendered; that the source of the gas would be the production district of applicant's Midway Division; that the contemplated line extending from applicant's presently installed 10" Bakersfield transmission line, a distance of forty-three (43) miles to Delano would also serve the

unincorporated communities of Shafter, Wasco and McFarland; that the estimated cost of installation to serve these communities, including the City of Delano, will be Three hundred twenty-one thousand, nine hundred seventy (321,970) dollars; that no gas service whatever is now being rendered in the City of Delano; that applicant has made application to the City of Delano for franchise; that public convenience and necessity would be served by the granting of this application.

I recommend the following form of Order:

O R D E R

Southern California Gas Company having applied to the Railroad Commission of the State of California for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing applicant to exercise the franchise rights under franchise which it contemplates securing from the City of Delano, covering the distribution and sale of gas in said city; public hearings having been held; the matter being submitted and now ready for decision,

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby orders and declares that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by Southern California Gas Company of the franchise rights under franchise to be granted to it by the City of Delano.

The above certification is subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

(1) That on or before May 31, 1930, applicant, Southern California Gas Company, shall file with this Commission a certified copy of the franchise in question.

(2) That on or before May 31, 1930, applicant, Southern California Gas Company, shall file with this Commission a

stipulation duly executed upon authority of its Board of Directors that applicant, its successors or assigns, will never claim a value for such franchise in excess of the cost thereof.

(3) That upon the filing by applicant of the franchise and stipulation, referred to in Conditions (1) and (2) above, in the proper form, this Commission will issue its supplemental order authorizing the exercise of rights conferred by such franchise.

The authorization herein granted, except as otherwise specifically provided, shall be effective from and after the date of this order.

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

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 13th day of ^{May}~~April~~, 1930.

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Emile A. [unclear]
Leon [unclear]
John B. [unclear]
M. J. [unclear]
 Commissioners.