

Decision No. 22687.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of TRACY GAS COMPANY, a corporation, and PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation, for an order of the Railroad Commission authorizing TRACY GAS COMPANY to file and place in effect the revised schedule of rates and charges referred to in this application for the service of natural gas.

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Application No. 16487.

C. P. Cutten for Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
 G. M. Hench, City Attorney, T. A. Bartlett, City Engineer, J. Ranley, Mayor, for City of Tracy.
 H. A. Voltz, a consumer, in propria persona.

DECOTO, COMMISSIONER:

OPINION

In the above entitled matter Tracy Gas Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Company ask the Railroad Commission of the State of California to make its order and decision authorizing Tracy Gas Company:

1. To file and make effective the rates and charges set forth in Exhibit "A" and made a part of the application.
2. Upon the filing and making effective of said Exhibit "A" hereof, to withdraw and cancel Tracy Gas Company's filed schedules Nos. 1, 1-A, 2-1 and 3-A, and
3. To amortize and write off such unusual and extraordinary expenses as shall be incurred for the substitution of natural gas service for the present artificial gas service during the three-year period commencing with the second year of natural gas service in the territory involved in this petition.

Hearings were held at Tracy May 22nd and June 24th, 1930, at which time testimony and evidence was presented by applicants and City of Tracy.

Tracy Gas Company is now operated by Pacific Gas and Electric Company and for the past two years has been supplying artificial gas to the City of Tracy. Pacific Gas and Electric Company now contemplates furnishing Tracy Gas Company with straight natural gas which will, in turn, be supplied to the consumers of Tracy in lieu of the present artificial gas.

Testimony and evidence were presented in this proceeding by both applicants and City of Tracy setting forth proposed rates and charges for natural gas service and estimates of cost, for a three-year period, including amortization of the expenditures necessary to convert the appliances to natural gas service.

It appears from the estimates submitted that a great deal depends upon the development of the load under natural gas service. Tracy Gas Company, being a comparatively new company, has possibilities of considerable development under natural gas service. We believe the following rate to be fair and reasonable and conducive to building up this load.

I therefore recommend the following form of Order:

O R D E R

Tracy Gas Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Company having asked the Railroad Commission of the State of California to make its order and decision authorizing Tracy Gas Company to file and make effective for natural gas service a certain schedule and upon the filing and making effective of same, the withdrawal

and cancellation of certain filed schedules, all as set forth in the above Opinion, and to amortize and write off such unusual and extraordinary expenses incurred in the substitution of natural gas service for artificial gas service, in the manner set forth in the above Opinion, public hearings having been held, the matter submitted and now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
 HEREBY ORDERS that Tracy Gas Company institute, at the earliest possible time, the service of straight natural gas at the following schedule of rates in lieu of the artificial gas service now being served in the territory involved, provided that no consumer shall be rendered a monthly bill at the natural gas rate unless he has had at least fifteen (15) days of natural gas service.

SCHEDULE G-9-N

Character of Service:

Natural Gas for light, heat and power service will be supplied of a heating value as specified and under conditions provided for in Rules and Regulations filed with the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Territory:

City of Tracy and contiguous suburbs.

Rate:

First 200 cubic feet or less per meter per month	
Incorporated territory	\$1.10
Unincorporated territory	\$1.30
Next 4,800 cubic feet per meter	
per month	11.0¢ per 100 cu.ft.
Next 25,000 cubic feet per meter	
per month	9.0¢ per 100 cu.ft.
Next 170,000 cubic feet per meter	
All per month	7.0¢ per 100 cu.ft.
Over 200,000 cubic feet per meter	
per month	6.0¢ per 100 cu.ft.

Note: This schedule will become effective in substitution of Schedules 1, 1-A, 2-A and 3-A, as and when, the present manufactured gas service has been entirely superseded by straight natural gas service.

THE COMMISSION HEREBY FURTHER ORDERS that upon the completion of the substitution of natural gas service in the City of Tracy and vicinity and upon the filing and making effective of said schedules of rates for natural gas service, Tracy Gas Company is hereby authorized to withdraw and cancel its present schedules designated as Nos. 1, 1-A, 2-A and 3-A.

The Commission hereby further authorizes Tracy Gas Company to amortize and write off such unusual and extraordinary expenses as shall be incurred in the substitution of natural gas service for the present artificial gas service during a three-year period, commencing with the second year of natural gas service in the territory involved in this petition.

The authorization herein granted except as otherwise specifically provided shall be 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 7th day of July, 1930.

C. L. Seary
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Commissioners.