

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 1248

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

In the matter of the charges of public utility gas corporations for natural gas delivered at wholesale at points in Los Angeles County outside the limits of incorporated cities and towns.

Case No. 464.

BY THE COMMISSION.

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER.

WHEREAS, Southern California Gas Company has filed with this Commission an application for an order amending the Commission's order of December 20, 1913, in the above entitled proceeding, directing said Southern California Gas Company to establish and file with this Commission, to become effective within thirty days from the date of this order, the rate of fourteen (14) cents for each one thousand (1,000) cubic feet of natural gas delivered by said company at the West Glendale Terminus of the Midway Gas Company's transmission main; and,

WHEREAS, by its said application Southern California Gas Company alleges that the consumption of gas for domestic purposes in the City of Los Angeles varies from the maximum amount of about 35,000,000 cubic feet per day during the winter months to the minimum amount of about 10,000,000 cubic feet per day during the remainder of the year, and alleges that during certain portions of the year it cannot supply the entire amount of natural gas required for domestic consumption, whereas during other portions of the year it will have a surplus of natural gas not needed for domestic purposes, which surplus applicant desires to dispose of for industrial purposes, so as to be able to use its pipe line to full capacity; and,

WHEREAS, Southern California Gas Company alleges that in order to dispose of its gas for industrial purposes it will be necessary

to compete with oil as fuel and that it cannot so compete if it charges more than twelve (12) cents per thousand cubic feet at the Glendale Terminus of the Midway Gas Company's main, for which said price of twelve (12) cents per thousand cubic feet applicant is willing to sell natural gas for industrial purposes, although it alleges that such sale will be at a loss; and,

WHEREAS, Southern California Gas Company asks for an order of this Commission modifying the Commission's said order of December 20, 1913, "so as to permit until the further order of this Commission the sale by petitioner of gas at said Glendale Terminus for industrial purposes at the rate of 12¢ per one thousand cubic feet,"

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said application be hereby granted and that Southern California Gas Company be authorized to file with this Commission, until the further order of this Commission, a rate of twelve (12) cents per one thousand cubic feet of natural gas delivered at the Glendale Terminus of the Midway Gas Company's main, said gas to be used only for industrial purposes, and said rate to be effective on ten (10) day notice, on the following conditions only and not otherwise, to-wit:

1. Southern California Gas Company shall never use the granting of this application, either directly or indirectly, as an argument for the increase of the rate to be paid at the West Glendale Terminus of the Midway Gas Company's main for domestic or other consumption.

2. As the highest use of the natural gas delivered at the end of said Midway Gas Company's main is for domestic consumption, the Southern California Gas Company shall exert its best efforts to sell the highest possible amount of said gas for domestic purposes, so as to thereby conserve the gas for its highest use.

3. Natural gas sold by Southern California Gas Company for industrial purposes shall have a second right only and shall

always be subject to the use of gas for domestic purposes, to the end that the natural gas sold by Southern California Gas Company for industrial purposes shall be only the excess gas, which, from time to time, Southern California Gas Company cannot sell for domestic purposes.

4. Such natural gas as Southern California Gas Company may desire to sell for industrial purposes shall be sold on equal terms without discrimination to all gas companies and other corporations or persons desiring the use thereof for industrial purposes.

5. This order is only temporary in character and is issued to enable Southern California Gas Company to take care of a temporary condition, and the order is subject to revocation at any time by this Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3rd day of Feb-
ruary, 1914.

John W. Ehlman
H. H. V. Leland
W. J. Gordon

Commissioners.