

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 1321

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application :
of CONSOLIDATED UTILITIES COMPANY, :
a corporation, to sell its elec- :
trical distributing system at Comp- :
ton, Los Angeles county, Califor- : Application No. 1001.
nia, to Pacific Light and Power Cor- :
poration, and of Pacific Light and :
Power Corporation to purchase said :
electrical distributing system. :

S. M. Haskins, for Applicants.

LOVELAND, Commissioner.

O P I N I O N

The Consolidated Utilities Company is a corporation or-
ganized and existing under the laws of the State of California
for the purpose of conducting an electrical distributing system
and also a telephone system in and contiguous to the town of
Compton, Los Angeles county, California.

This company does not generate electric energy but has
purchased same from the Pacific Light and Power Corporation and
now desires to sell its electrical distributing system to said
Pacific Light and Power Corporation.

The rates of the Consolidated Utilities Company have
been 5 cents to 10 cents per KWH for power purposes and 10 cents
to 15 cents per KWH for domestic use. The Pacific Light and
Power Corporation agrees, if this transfer is permitted, to
make a very substantial reduction in the rates, its rates being
8 cents per KWH maximum for domestic use and 2 cents to 6 cents
per KWH for power purposes.

A statement of the financial condition of the Pacific
Light and Power Corporation was filed with this Commission by
said corporation in Application No. 721, to which reference is
hereby made. A certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation

of the Pacific Light and Power Corporation was filed with the Commission in Application No. 183.

A statement of the financial condition of the Consolidated Utilities Company was filed with the application and marked Exhibit "C". A copy of the Articles of Incorporation of said Consolidated Utilities Company was also filed with the application.

The original cost of the properties of the Consolidated Utilities Company which it now desires to sell to the Pacific Light and Power Corporation was shown by the testimony to have been about \$12,000.00. Testimony further showed that the present value of said property is about \$8,500.00, which is the sum now to be paid for the property.

A detailed description of the property is attached to the application and marked Exhibit "B".

Ordinance No. 93, passed by the Board of Trustees of the town of Compton on the 7th day of October, 1913, by the conditions of which a franchise was granted to the Pacific Light and Power Corporation to construct and, for a period of 50 years, to operate and maintain an electric pole and wire system for the purpose of conducting, transmitting and distributing electricity and electrical energy for lighting, heating and power purposes and for any and all other purposes for which electricity can be used upon and along all the streets, alleys and thoroughfares in the town of Compton, California, was filed with the Commission.

A copy of resolutions passed by the Board of Trustees of Compton, approving of the transfer of this electrical distributing system from the Consolidated Utilities Company to the Pacific Light and Power Corporation, was filed, also, at the hearing.

It is apparent that it will be to the advantage of the people who are consumers of electric energy for heat, light and power purposes in Compton to have this transfer approved, as they will be benefited by a greatly reduced rate and, possibly, owing to the greater facilities of the Pacific Light and Power Corporation, by a more efficient service.

I find that public convenience and necessity require and will require the granting of this application, and recommend the following Order:-

O R D E R

Consolidated Utilities Company having applied for an order authorizing it to sell to Pacific Light and Power Corporation, for the sum of \$8,500.00, its electrical distributing system in and adjacent to the town of Compton, Los Angeles county, California; and the Pacific Light and Power Corporation having asked for authority to purchase said property for said sum; and having asked for a certificate that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by the Pacific Light and Power Corporation of the rights and privileges granted by Ordinance No. 93 of the town of Compton;

And a hearing having been regularly held on said application; and it appearing that it should be granted;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That said application be and it is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:-

(1) The price to be paid for said electrical distributing agency by the Pacific Light and Power Corporation shall not hereafter be taken, before this Commission or any other regulatory body, as representing the true present value of the property for rate fixing or other purposes.

(2) Upon the execution of the deed of conveyance hereby authorized, the parties shall file a certified copy thereof

with this Commission.

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 9th day of March, 1914.

John W. Casbleman

H. A. Toland

Cliff Gordon

Max Thelen

Edwin O. Egeston

Commissioners.