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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application)
 of Downey Light, Power and Water)
 Company for authority to sell its)
 electric system in Los Angeles)
 County to Southern California Edi-)
 son Company.)

Application No. 1058

Kendrick and Ardis for Downey Light, Power
 and Water Company.

H. E. Trowbridge and Harry J. Bauer for
 Southern California Edison Company.

EDGERTON, Commissioner.

O P I N I O N

This is an application by Downey Light, Power and Water Company to sell its electric distributing system in Downey, Los Angeles County, to the Southern California Edison Company, for \$50,938.30. The applicant is now supplying Downey and vicinity with electricity for lighting purposes at 15 cents per KWH and for power purposes at 6-2/3 cents per KWH. The Southern California Edison Company proposes, if given authority to purchase this property, to sell electricity for lighting purposes on a sliding scale from 7 cents per KWH to 2-1/2 cents per KWH, and for power purposes on a scale from 6 cents per KWH to 1-1/2 cents per KWH.

The Downey Light, Power and Water Company now purchases electricity from the Southern California Edison Company and there_after distributes it to its patrons. The two systems are now connected and the properties of the Downey Light, Power and Water Company will fit into the Southern California Edison system.

The Commission has made no detailed investigation of the price to be paid. It is clearly in evidence, however, that the Southern California Edison Company will be enabled to sell electricity at substantially lower rates than the Downey Light, Power and Water Company, and will be in a position to render more efficient service than the applicant herein.

I recommend that the application be granted and submit herewith the following form of order:

O R D E R

Application having been made by the Downey Light, Power and Water Company for an order authorizing it to sell its electrical system in Downey, Los Angeles County, to the Southern California Edison Company, and it appearing to the Commission that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Railroad Commission of the State of California that Downey Light, Power and Water Company be given authority and it is hereby given authority to sell its electric distribution system in Downey and vicinity to the Southern California Edison Company, an inventory of which system is attached to the application herein and marked Exhibit "E".

The authority herein given for said sale is given upon the following conditions, not otherwise:

1. The price to be paid by the Southern California Edison Company shall not be binding upon this Commission or any other public regulating body in any consideration where the value of the properties transferred shall be under consideration.

2. The authority herein granted shall apply to such transfers of property as shall have been made on or before December 31, 1914.

3. Southern California Edison Company shall assume and carry out the agreements of Downey Light, Power and Water Company to return in service to the consumers of said last named company, advances made as a condition precedent to the securing of service.

4. Downey Light, Power and Water Company shall notify this Commission in writing after it shall have transferred its properties to Southern California Edison Company, and shall file with this Commission a certified copy of the instrument of conveyance.

5. Immediately upon taking possession of said plant or system, Southern California Edison Company shall put in effect the schedule of rates now in effect generally over its system, and which is a sliding scale from 7 cents per KWH to $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per KWH for lighting purposes, and from 6 cents per KWH to $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per KWH for power purposes.

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 14th day of May, 1914.

John W. Eastman
H. D. Loveland
W. G. Gordon
Max Thelen
Edwin O. Edgerton
Commissioners.