Decision No.

## ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application ) of H. G. LACEY COMPANY for an ) order extending time for compliance ) with Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as ) amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915.)

Application No. 2275.

W. A. Sutherland for H. G. Lacey Company. J. Morgenthaler and William Rhye for Electrical Workers.

THELEN and DEVLIN. Commissioners.

## OPINION.

This is a petition for an extension of time within which to comply with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, referring to the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and use of electric poles, wires, cables and appliances.

A public hearing in this proceeding was held in San Francisco on July 14, 1916.

For a statement of the law governing proceedings of this character and of the principles guiding the Railroad Commission in its decisions therein, reference is hereby made to the decision this day rendered in Application No. 2222, Los Angeles Gas and Electric Corporation, et al.

Petitioner supplies electric energy in the City of Hanford and surrounding territory. Mr. O. M. Lacey, petitioner's secretary and manager, testified that since the effective date of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, petitioner has reconstructed approximately 75 per cent of its system, and that all new construction work and reconstruction work has complied with the statute. He testified that an expenditure of approximately \$4,000.00 would be necessary to enable petitioner to comply completely with the statute. He testified that the present failures to comply with

the statute are found in the horizontal and vertical clearances and the painting of cross-arms.

Petitioner asked for an extension of one year for the completion of the work.

After careful consideration of all the factors entering into the problem, we have reached the conclusion that an extension of time until December 31, 1917, should be granted to petitioner, on the conditions specified in the order herein.

We submit the following form of order:

## ORDER.

H. G. LACEY COMPANY having applied for an order extending time within which to comply with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, and a public hearing having been held,

IT IS HEREBY OFDERED as follows:

- 1. The time within which petitioner herein shall reconstruct its existing system so as to comply completely with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, is hereby extended to and including December 31, 1917, on the condition that at least one-third of the reconstruction work necessary to be done shall be completed on or before December 31, 1916, two-thirds on or before June 30, 1917, and the entire work on or before December 31, 1917.
- 2. At the time herein directed, petitioner shall file with the Railroad Commission, on forms to be supplied by the Railroad Commission, progress reports showing, in such detail as will be prescribed by the Railroad Commission, the extent to which the necessary reconstruction work has been performed during the period covered by the report and also the extent to which reconstruction work remains to be done in order that the property will comply with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by

Chapter 600. Laws of 1915. The first report shall cover the period ending December 31, 1916, and shall be filed with the Railroad Commission within 15 days subsequent thereto. The succeeding reports shall cover the succeeding six-months' periods respectively, and shall be filed on or before the expiration of 15 days after the termination of each such succeeding period of six months.

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 26 maday of Spetmber, 1916.

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Commissioners.