

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 3795

In the matter of the application of
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY for
authority to sell and SOUTHERN CALI-
FORNIA EDISON COMPANY to buy certain
property located at Playa del Rey.

Application
No. 1536.

Frank Karr for Pacific Electric Railway Company.
Harry J. Bauer for Southern California Edison Company.

LOVELAND, Commissioner.

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION

On March 13th, 1915, the Commission made its order in the above entitled proceeding authorizing the Southern California Edison Company to purchase and the Pacific Electric Railway Company to sell certain property located at Playa del Rey. Said order provided in part as follows:-

"IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the Southern California Edison Company furnish the Railroad Commission with copies of any contracts now in existence between Pacific Electric Railway Company and the consumers of electricity in Playa del Rey and, if it is found that discrimination will result from the continuation of such contracts and the application of the rates of Southern California Edison Company now in effect at Venice, which rates will be extended to Playa del Rey, that Southern California Edison Company submit to the Railroad Commission such explanation as said Company may desire justifying the continuation of such rates."

It now appears that certain consumers of Pacific Electric Railway Company in Playa del Rey, service to whom was taken over by Southern California Edison Company

under authority granted by this Commission's decision No. 2220 (Page 362, Volume 6, "Opinions and Orders of the Railroad Commission), were served at rates which undoubtedly were less than the cost of service.

The consumers who had been receiving preferential rates at the time of the transfer of the properties in Playa del Rey from the Pacific Electric Railway Company to the Southern California Edison Company, together with rates paid by each, are shown in the following tabulation:-

Beach Land Company -

Lighting Service in the City of Venice;
1/2¢ per K.W.H.; minimum bill \$1.00 per month.

Beach Land Company -

Power Service in the City of Venice;
1/2¢ per K.W.H.; minimum bill \$1.00 per month.

Beach Terminal Company -

Lighting Service in the City of Venice;
1/2¢ per K.W.H.; minimum bill \$1.00 per month.
(Hotel Building).

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Lighting Service in the City of Venice;
1/2¢ per K.W.H.; minimum bill \$1.00 per month.
(Pavilion Building).

After a careful consideration of the circumstances surrounding the granting of these special concessions above referred to, I am of the opinion that a discriminatory condition is created by a continuation of these rates and that the regular rates of the Southern California Edison Company should be charged and collected for such service.

I submit the following form of order:

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY having called to the attention of the Commission the discriminatory condition resulting from the continuation of certain special rates heretofore granted by Pacific Electric Railway Company to Beach Land Company and Beach Terminal Company for lighting and power service supplied in the City of Venice, and it appearing that said special rates, which are set forth in the Opinion which precedes this order, are less than the cost of service to said Southern California Edison Company, the Railroad Commission hereby finds as a fact that said rates and each of them are unjust, unreasonable, and discriminatory, and basing its order on the foregoing finding of fact and upon the further findings contained in the opinion which precedes this order, it is hereby ordered that the Southern California Edison Company is hereby authorized and directed to at once discontinue all rates to Beach Land Company and Beach Terminal Company which differ in any respect from the rates of the Southern California Edison Company on file with the Railroad Commission for electric light and power service.

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 18th day of October, 1916.

H. H. Howard

Edwin O. Edgerton

Frank P. Dutton

Commissioners.