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Decision No. 4443

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the application
of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY
and of CITY OF AZUSA for an order
authorizing said company to convey
certain electrical distribution lines
to said city.

} Application No. 2999.
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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, by S. M. Haskins,
for Southern California Edison Company.
Frederick Baker for City of Azusa.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

A public hearing was conducted by Examiner Westover upon above application to convey certain electrical distribution lines incident to an agreement between the parties, by which Southern California Edison Company agrees to withdraw from the City of Azusa, Los Angeles County; the city to exclusively serve electrical energy within its limits except to one consumer retained by the company, the city, however, not to serve beyond the city limits.

The City of Azusa owns its own electric distribution system by which it has for several years distributed electric energy within the limits of the city and to some consumers beyond the city limits, such energy being purchased from Pacific Light & Power Corporation. The city

has never generated its own energy.

By contract of November 8, 1916 with Pacific Light and Power Corporation, the city agreed to purchase from that company for three years, energy at certain rates based upon a demand charge plus an energy charge, and the company agreed to convey to the city the lines described in the order herein, and to relinquish to the city four of the five consumers served by it within the city limits retaining only the business of Pacific Rock & Gravel Company. Of the four consumers referred to, two have already arranged for service from the city system. The other two have not yet contracted with the city for service; not being satisfied that the new city rate will be as advantageous to them as the old rate charged by the company of 2¢ per kilowatt hour, with a minimum charge of \$1.00 per year per horsepower installed. The new city rate is based upon a demand charge plus an energy charge, similar to the rate paid by it for energy. The exact effect of the new rates upon these consumers could not be shown, in the absence of definite information as to their maximum demands. However, the President of the Board of Trustees testified that it is the policy of the city to reduce rates as far as practicable. It appears from the testimony that the city is able to serve each of the four consumers as well as the company has been doing, and at rates probably somewhat lower than the rate heretofore charged by the company. The contract above referred to has been assigned by Pacific Light & Power Corporation with the consent of the city to Southern California Edison Company. Under the contract there is to be no further consideration for the conveyance of the lines referred to than the obligation on the part of the city to take and pay for energy upon the

rates, terms and conditions in the contract.

O R D E R

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY and the CITY OF AZUSA having applied for an order authorizing the conveyance by said company of the electrical distribution lines described below to said City of Azusa, and a public hearing having been held thereon,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern California Edison Company be and it is hereby authorized to convey to the City of Azusa -

"That certain line extension of said company consisting of poles, wires and equipment and appurtenances thereunto belonging (not including however any meters or transformers), located on Tenth Street in said city, and extending from the main line of said company on Angelino Avenue to the pumping plant of the Azusa Irrigation Company located on Lot 23 Block 2 of the Town of Azusa; and also that certain line extension with its poles, wires and equipment (not including meters or transformers), located on First Street and running from Azusa Avenue to the pumping plant of W. E. Klapetski, located on First Street at a point 3700 feet west to Azusa Avenue."

without further consideration than the obligation by said city to take and pay for electrical energy at the rates and upon the terms and conditions contained in contract between said city and Pacific Light & Power Corporation of date November 8, 1916.

This order is upon the following conditions:

1. The authority herein granted shall extend only to such conveyance as shall have been executed and

delivered within thirty (30) days from date hereof.

2. Within ten (10) days after said conveyance is executed and delivered, Southern California Edison Company shall file with the Commission a report stating the fact and date of delivery of said conveyance, filing copy of said conveyance with the Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th
day of July, 1917.

Max Thelen
W. H. Ireland
Alex. Gordon
Commissioners.