

Decision No. 5942

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application )  
of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COM- )  
PANY, a corporation, for an )  
Order of the Railroad Commission )  
of the State of California auth- )  
orizing Applicant to increase )  
its Rates and Charges for Electric )  
Energy. )

Application  
No. 3459.

BY THE COMMISSION.

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

By Decision No. 5519 dated June 27th, 1918,  
in the above entitled proceeding, applicant was order-  
ed to charge for electric energy sold only the sched-  
ule rates on file with the Railroad Commission, ex-  
cept for energy sold under special contracts for  
which no filed schedules of rates apply, thus re-  
moving all so-called "deviation rates". The Com-  
mission recognized the possibility that the filed  
schedules of rates might not in all instances cover

the service to consumers previously served under deviation rates, and with this possibility in mind the opinion in Decision No. 5519 stated:-

"The Commission may, if it deems advisable hereafter, order the filing of new rate schedules for certain classes of service if the carrying out of this order demonstrates the need of such action."

The complaints that have arisen out of that portion of the Commission's order resulting in the modification of former contract rates, have clearly demonstrated the necessity for some revision of the rate schedules. Many of the schedules as they now stand, both as to the rates therein and the territory in which such rates are effective, are plainly unjust and unreasonable rates when applied to the service of some consumers who have heretofore been charged at other than schedule rates. There is an obvious discrimination in rates for the same character of service between localities, and in particular between the two metropolitan areas on San Francisco Bay, which requires an equitable adjustment. For these reasons and for other good causes, it is deemed proper at this time to order certain changes in the electric rate schedules of Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

In order that those consumers whose former contract rates were modified by the Commission's order in Decision No. 5519 shall have suffered no prejudice by reason of having been charged since July 10th, 1918, under rate schedules which are adjusted in the order herein, the rates herein established are made retro-active and effective as just and reasonable rates as of July 10th, 1918, the date of the original order in this proceeding.

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company file with the Railroad Commission effective July 10th, 1918, and thereafter charge for agricultural power service the rates and charges set forth in Revised Sheet C.R.C. No. 146-E, being schedule No. 114, with the following modifications, to-wit:-

Discontinue that section of Sheet No. 146-E, reading as follows:

"For installations of 100 horsepower and over, where the consumer expects to irrigate a large tract of land from one central plant, 1¢ per k.w.h. for all current consumed. Minimum Charge, \$12.00 per h.p. per year."

and substitute in lieu thereof the following:-

"Where the consumer expects to irrigate a large tract of land from one central point or where electric energy is delivered to a consumer at one central point for use at other points:

"For installations of  
100 H.P. and over and  
less than 500 H.P.           1¢ per k.w.h.  
for all current  
consumed.  
Minimum Charge \$12.00 per h.p. per year.

"For installations of  
500 h.p. and over and  
less than 1,500 h.p.       0.9¢ per k.w.h.  
for all current  
consumed.  
Minimum Charge \$12.00 per h.p. per year.

"For installations of  
1,500 h.p. and over       0.8¢ per k.w.h.  
for all current  
consumed.  
Minimum Charge \$12.00 per h.p. per year."

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company file with the Railroad Commission, effective July 10th, 1918, and thereafter charge for electric energy for gold dredging service the rate set forth in C.R.C. Sheet No. 28-E, being Schedule No. 122, with the following modifications, to-wit:-

Discontinue that section of C.R.C. Sheet No. 28-E, reading as follows:-

"For smaller installations general power schedules will apply. For

installations consisting of a number of boats and with a monthly kilowatt hour consumption of power of approximately 1,000,000 k.w.h. per month."

and substitute in lieu thereof the following:-

"For all installations."

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company file with the Railroad Commission, effective July 10th, 1918, and thereafter charge and collect for general power service in the City and County of San Francisco the rates and charges set forth in C.R.C. Sheets No. 122-E, No. 123-E and No. 127-E, being Schedules No. 156, No. 157 and No. 157-X respectively.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company file with the Railroad Commission, effective July 10th, 1918, and thereafter charge and collect for electric energy sold for industrial and manufacturing power service in the City and County of San Francisco the rates and charges set forth in C.R.C. Sheet No. 121-E, being Schedule No. 190.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company shall within 10 days of the

date of this order file with the Railroad Commission of the State of California such amended schedules of rates as shall be necessary to comply with the provisions hereof, and that Pacific Gas and Electric Company shall within 10 days of the date of this order give proper notice hereof to all consumers affected by the above modifications of rate schedules, and shall adjust all bills paid by consumers since the effective date of Decision No. 5519, where such consumers shall within 30 days of the date of such notice elect to be charged in accordance with the rates and charges herein established.

The surcharges authorized by this Commission in Decisions No. 5519 and No. 5557 shall apply to the rates herein established.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19<sup>th</sup>  
day of November, 1918.

Edwin C. Edgerton  
H. S. Boardman  
D. S. Gordon  
William R. Dewey  
COMMISSIONERS