BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application) of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COM-) MANY for an Order preliminary to) the Issuance of a Certificate) that Public Convenience and Nec-) essity require the Construction) of a Gas Distribution System in) the City of El Segundo, Califor-) nia.

Application No. 4303

A. E. Peat for Applicant.

LOVELAND, Commissioner.

OPINION

Southern California Gas Company asks for an order preliminary to the issuance of a certificate that public convenience and necessity require the construction of a gas distribution system in the City of El Segundo, California. A hearing was held in Los Angeles on Jenuary 24th, 1919.

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Petitioner shows that the inhabitants of the City of El Segundo are now without gas service, that it has perfected plans for the installation of a gas distributing system in said City, that it has applied to the Board of Trustees of said City for the necessary franchise, notice of which application has been published end which franchise will be sold on February 13th, 1919.

Petitioner further shows that the City of El Segundo has been in existence for a period of six or more years, and at the present time its growth is sufficient to warrant the installation of a gas system to supply its inhabitants. Petitioner further shows that it has on hand sufficient pipe and other materials to lay mains and supply gas in El Segundo and that from 150 to 175 consumers can be obtained.

Petitioner is now serving natural gas in several municipalities in the immediate vicinity, among which are Redondo, Hermosa Boach and Manhattan Beach, and in event of being permitted to serve in El Segundo it will supply the same gas at the same rates as in Redondo.

Petitioner will hereafter file with the Railroad Commission a certified copy of such franchise as the City of El Segundo may grant to it, and also the usual stipulation agreeing never to claim a value for

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the franchise in excess of the amount paid therefor by petitioner to the granting authority.

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

ORDER

Southern California Gas Company having filed herein its petition for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the construction of a new distribution system in the City of El Sogundo, and public hearing having been held, and this proceeding being now ready for decision,

The Reilroad Commission of the State of California declares that hereafter upon the filing of a cortified copy of the ordinance of the City of El Segundo granting the petitioner a franchise, and of a stipulation as set forth in the Opinion which precedes this Order, the Railroad Commission will declare that public convenience and necessity require, and will require, the exercise by petitioner of the rights and

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privileges granted to it by such ordinance subject to such terms and conditions as the Railroad Commission may prescribe.

The foregoing Opinion and Order is hereby spproved and ordered filed as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

> Dated at San Francisco, California, this / 3 Th day of February, 1919.

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