Decision No. 8'202



BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMLISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY for authority to sell, and of ONTARIO) POWER COMPANY to purchase, a certain) electrical distribution line on Base Line Road, San Bernardino County.

Application No. 6100.

By the Commission:

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

In this proceeding Southern California Edison Company seeks authority to sell, and Ontario Power Company to buy. a certain 15,000 volt electrical distribution line located on Base Line Road, San Bernardino County, and certain branch lines extending therefrom, all of which are more particularly described in the proposed Bill of Sale attached to the application.

It appears that it is necessary for Ontario Power Company in the proper conduct of its business as a public utility distributing electric energy, to maintain and operate an electric distribution line along the course of the line now owned and operated by Edison Company, and that the transfer of the line now owned by Edison Company to Ontario Power Company would render unnecessary the building of another line by Ontario Company.

The Edison Company now supplies two consumers from said line, who will be supplied by the Ontario Company in the event that the line is transferred. It further appears that the Ontario Company could serve with electricity all persons de-

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siring such service from said line as well as could Edison Company, and that in the event of the sale of said line Ontario Power Company desires to assume the obligation of serving such consumers and Edison Company to be relieved of such obligation.

The line was originally installed in the year 1904 at an estimated cost of \$10,400, and it is stated that the present value of said line is \$12,500. The Bill of Sale attached to the application herein describes in detail the location and character of the main and branch lines and appurtenances to be transferred. The property to be transferred does not include, however, the 15,000 volt transformers connected to said line or branches or any service line extending therefrom.

<u>O R D E R</u>

The Railroad Commission of the State of California being of the opinion that the granting of the authority sought will be in the public interest and that a hearing is not necessary in this matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern California Edison Company be, and it is, hereby authorized to sell to Ontario Power Company the electrical system described in the bill-of-sale attached to the application herein.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Ontario Power Company be, and it is, hereby authorized to purchase said electrical system for the sum of \$12,500 in cash.

The authority herein granted is upon the following conditions and not otherwise:

1. Within 60 days after the acquisition of the said electrical distribution system, Ontario Power Company shall file with the Railroad Commission for approval, a

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stipulation duly authorized by its Board of Directors declaring that Ontario Power Company, its successors and assigns, will never claim, in any proceeding of any character before the mailroad Commission or any other public utility, a value for the franchises or permits which it may acquire from Southern California Edison Company in excess of the amount paid by the original grantee for such franchises or permits to the public authority granting the same, which amount shall be specified in said stipulation.

2. The consideration at which the public utility properties are herein authorized to be transferred shall not be considered as a measure of value of said properties for rate-making or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

3. The authority herein granted will apply only to such transfer as may be made on or before 60 days from the date of this order.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5^{-6} day of October, 1920.

Commissioners.

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