

Decision No. 9094

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of)
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a)
corporation, for an order of the)
Railroad Commission of the State of)
California granting to applicant a)
certificate of public convenience)
and necessity to exercise the right,)
privilege and franchise granted to)
applicant by an ordinance of the City)
of Woodland marked Exhibit "A" here-)
of.)

Application No. 6837

C. P. Cutten, for Applicant.

BENEDICT, Commissioner:

O P I N I O N

Pacific Gas and Electric Company applies for a certificate that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by it of the right, privilege and franchise to distribute gas for heating and power purposes granted by an ordinance of the City of Woodland, adopted on the 7th of March, 1921.

Applicant shows that it has been engaged in the business of distributing gas for lighting, heating and power purposes for many years past and that no other person, firm or corporation is so engaged as a public utility in the City of Woodland. Operations during recent years have been under con-

stitutional franchise rights as far as the distribution of gas for lighting purposes is concerned, and the distribution of gas for heating and power purposes has been covered by ordinance franchise which has now expired. The franchise, authority for the exercise of which is now sought, is merely a renewal.

A hearing was held in San Francisco on June 1, 1921, at which time evidence was introduced and the matter submitted. Pacific Gas and Electric Company filed a stipulation, duly executed by authority of its Board of Directors, in which it agrees that it, its successors or assigns, will never claim before the Railroad Commission or any court or other public body a value for the right, privilege and franchise granted under the ordinance in question in excess of the actual cost to applicant of acquiring said franchise, stated in the stipulation to be the sum of \$100.

Public convenience and necessity unquestionably require that applicant continue the service which it is now rendering and for which the public depends upon it.

I recommend the following form of Order:

O R D E R

Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission for a certificate that public convenience and necessity require the exercise of the right, privilege and franchise granted to it by the City of Woodland by an ordinance No. 245, adopted March 7, 1921, a public hearing having been held, Pacific Gas and Electric Company having stipu-

lated in form satisfactory to this Commission as to its claim for the value of said franchise, and the matter having been submitted.

The Railroad Commission of the State of California does hereby certify and declare that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by Pacific Gas and Electric Company of the right, privilege and franchise granted by said Ordinance No. 245 of the City of Woodland.

The foregoing Opinion and Order are hereby approved and ordered as the Opinion and Order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th
day of June, 1921.

H. B. Rindick
H. D. Loveland
W. J. Condon
Commissioners.